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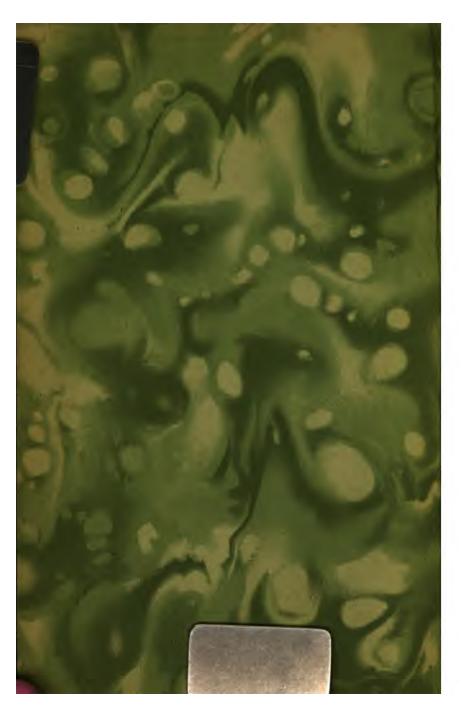
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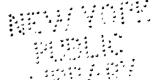
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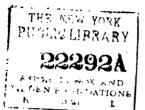


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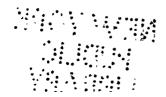






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FOREWORD

THE Hawn Course in Public Speaking has taken the speaker through all the technical and theoretical phases of the subject. He has learned the Fundamentals and Elements of Speech in Book One—the use and varieties of Poise, Position and Gesture in Book Two—has analyzed model and Occasion Speeches in Book Three—has mastered the art of preparing his own speeches in Book Four—and has taken up the subject of Voice, English Enunciation and Pronunciation, etc., in Book Five.

Technically he has little more to learn, and the Course might well be considered complete, if it were not for the fact that the price of progress is continuous practice. This sixth and last book of the Course is a collection of modern discourses, which should be read as speeches, not as text. They will broaden and develop any speaker, and spur him to greater accomplishment. They are on modern topics that are uppermost in the minds of men; they give inspiration to the seeker after material for speeches, and at the same time serve as models for similar discourses. These selections have been carefully gleaned from the

spoken and written words of great thinkers and from addresses by prominent speakers. It is the kind of matter that a speaker should read often—in between times, or whenever he has a spare moment for mental development.

'A careful study of the language used—grammatical construction, figures of speech, the employment of qualifying adjectives, etc., will give invaluable aid to the man who aspires to better things.

The addresses are grouped, according to subject matter, under the following heads:—

Patriotism and Americanism.

Economics, Capital and Labor.

Religion and Ethics.

Intimate Topics.

National Forum Speeches.

This last group comprises selections that have been prepared by the National Forum. Originally phonograph records of these speeches were made by the speakers who delivered the addresses, and it is probable that they may still be obtained from a dealer in Columbia Records, or direct from the National Forum, 102 West 38th Street, New York.

For the sake of differentiating these selec-

tions from mere literary articles, and to make them more easily available as actual speeches, we have marked the text of each for Pause, Emphasis and Climax. Pause is indicated by the dashes between the words, Emphasis by printing the emphatic words in *Italics*, and the main thought or Climax is printed in small caps. Inflection and Gesture are not indicated as was the case in the book on *Occasion Speeches*, for it is to be presumed that the speaker has advanced sufficiently to decide for himself what Inflections and Gestures to use. These Fundamentals are, after all, variable and depend upon the individual taste of the speaker.

The italicized words are suggested for emphasis, but here again considerable latitude is permissible and the speaker is supposed to use his own judgment. A change of emphasis, like a change of inflection, often alters the meaning of a sentence.

A word of caution against too much emphasis may again not be out of place. A speech in which too many thoughts are emphasized or where the emphasis is too strong or explosive, becomes what a musician would call "staccato" and loses instead of gains in effect. Pause, too, requires attention. Many pauses might

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be made correctly where none are indicated in the text. The speaker should be careful not to overdo it, or the speech will be "choppy" or halting.

It is suggested that the speaker read these discourses first as given and then repeat them with such additional pauses and emphases as the text seems to require according to his conception. The chapters on Emphasis, Pause and Inflection in Book One might well be reread from time to time to increase familiarity with these fundamentals.

Gestures tend to induce freedom, therefore in working on the delivery of these discourses the speaker could over-gesture slightly to guard against constraint. They should not be overdone, however. Simplicity of Gesture as opposed to affectation should prevail. Personal Gestures, which are usually awkward and meaningless, should always be avoided.

Moderation is better than a superabundance in everything. Nothing is more wearisome to an audience than a violent delivery with overforceful motions of the arms and body. Even when the Gesture is significant and expressive, a little will be better than too much. A single expressive gesture produces a better

effect than a dozen that are out of keeping with the sentiment expressed.

Native Americans as well as Aliens;—those imbued with the spirit of American Institutions, as well as those who have not yet absorbed our ideals, will find much in these discourses to encourage, to inspire and to fill them with the faith and purpose which are the basis of true patriotism.

It will be noted that the entire tendency of the Hawn Course is not only to make a better speaker, but a better American and a better man.

One word in parting: Practice is better than theory, and conscientious exercise is worth more than rules and precepts. No knowledge of principles, no study of models will make a good speaker of anyone, without practice. As with the muscles of the body, so with the faculties of the mind—nothing but exercise develops vigor and strength.

A successful speaker must, first of all, have something to say—the mental agility to clothe his thoughts in proper language, and finally the ability to deliver his thoughts in a way that will hold his hearers and convince them of his sincerity. Success in these three things makes an acceptable orator. If you

really are determined to be a success you must know what to do, what not to do and how to put that which you have learned to practical use. It is the object of the Hawn Course to make you proficient in all of these things. The author has done his part. Have you done yours?

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PART I

PATRIOTISM and AMERICANISM

'A TOAST to the FLAG

I GIVE you to-day a Toast—to the Flag of our Country—the Flag that has set the whole world free.—

I give you this Flag, with all its history.— The Flag of the first republic on earth to make the People superior to the State—and to declare that all white men are free and equalunder the law.—The first Flag to cleanse its folds from the dark stain of human slavery. in the blood of its heroes.—The first Flag to sail the seas, free and unmolested.—The first Flag to go journeying forth,—across the broad prairies beyond the Mississippi;—to ripple forth in all its glory from the lofty, snow-clad peaks of the Rockies and to blazon in the sunshine of the great Northwest along the trail of Fremont and Clark.—The first Flag to float over enfranchised Cuba and Hawaii, redeemed.—The first Flag to greet the silent dawn in the vast, interminable wastes of the North Pole.-

I give you this Flag,—with all its symbols.
—Its red, as of the blood of heroes,—living and dead,—who have loved it and defended it.
—Its blue, as of the sheen of the restless seas,—that encompass and protect it.—Its white, as of the clear day;—the union of all of the colors of the spectrum;—the peaks of her transcendent mountains and the drifting snows of her prairie wastes.—Aye!—White—clear thru.—The Flag that reached into the Heavens;—plucked the field of azure and the stars for symbols and then set the American Eagle above it,—to watch,—with tireless and searching eye,—that not a star be dimmed or desecrated.—

I give you this Flag, with all its hopes and prayers;—its Faith and Purpose.—The bright Flag;—the cheerful Flag;—the undying,—the courageous—and the merciful Flag.—The Flag, that rose triumphant from the sea, where the Lusitania went down.—The Flag that flung its protecting folds over the widowed,—the fatherless—and the homeless in stricken Belgium.—The Flag that would not yield a single foot in the terrible storm of St. Mihiel,—but ever advanced!—The Flag that has limned the face of the pitying Christ,—triumphant yet sorrowful in the work of

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Mercy—where the wounded and the dying lay in long rows amid the gathering shadows of the night.—The Flag that the little children of the world love and do not fear.—The Flag that spells a new-found liberty to the oppressed of all lands.—The Flag that has never touched the ground or been set beneath the feet of Tyrant—Hun or Unspeakable Turk.—

I give you, Americans,—the world over—our Flag!—the flag of a free people.—the flag of an Undying Union of sover-eign states—joined together in the yet greater sovereignty of a nation.—I give you this Flag, with its history,—its achievement,—its ideals!—The Flag of the United States of America.—A. G. S.

The HEART of AMERICA

WHAT a wonderful and beautiful thing this history of America is,—how full of the eternal hoping and strivings of man,—how shot through, in all its desperate sordidness,—with the noblest aspirations yet known to any nation.—How pitiable yet fine—that complacent optimism of the middle period,—when it was hoped that slavery might be rocked to sleep—in the bosom of a compro-

mise,—how pathetic the lost youth of those boys and girls who danced in many a mansion hall on the eve of that other great calamity,—under the impending gloom of that other great war,—how utterly sad those visions and forebodings—with which Lincoln walked the corridors of the White House by night.—

Settlers are pouring over the mountains into Ohio,—over the Cumberland road into Kentucky.—river men are floating down the Allegheny on their rafts,—singing barbaric songs, —the great freight wagons plunge across river and plain,—the eyes of pioneers strain westward for the pinnacles of the Sierras. immigrants,—dumb,—expectant,—take their hats to Liberty in New York harbor. a million hopes—a hundred million hopes merge, in the perspective,—into one, and this is America.—One man's life spans so much.— We go,—the nation like the individual.—from sorrow to sorrow and from joy to joy;—in one great solemn procession march the slain youth of Gettysburg,—Antietam—and the Wilderness,—and of Chateau Thierry,—the Argonne -and the banks of the Meuse.

What is America?—A continent?—A constitution?—A government?—A history?—It is none of these.—It is a striving,—an expecta-

tion,—an indomitable will for freedom and equality,—betrayed in one generation after another,—the sport of politicians and financiers,—the mockery of the Philistines,—the bugaboo of elderly gentlemen in clubs sipping wine,—yet to the glory of humanity persisting year after year,—and in the face of the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune,—struggling on.—

THE HEART BEATS HIGH AND THE SOUL UN-COVERS WHEN THAT AMERICA PASSES BY. Washington is of it,—and Jefferson,—and old, rough Andrew Jackson,—and Henry Clay.—and mournful Lincoln.—and the college professor from Princeton.—with his cold fury of resolution—and his strange, unhappy isolation,—and many another whose heart was with the men, but whose memory is dust.— America is an innumerable company of adventurers,-going down through the ages,-keen eved,—warv,—eves on the ranges ahead, through the wilderness trails.—America is no possession,—but a thing unsalable,—and the best is always over the next divide.—Robt. L. Duffus.

AMERICANISM

In the long,—upward—struggle of the human race for individual liberty,—every form

and variety of government has been tried, finally culminating in the happy success of American patriots—in establishing in a newly discovered land—a government based not upon the rights of rulers,—but upon the rights of man,—and for which no possible abidingplace could have been found in all the world as it had heretofore been known.—Upon this new and broad domain in the wide,—free spaces of a land of unknown limits,—old theories were overthrown—and a new principle enunciated.—that upon foundations where liberty and law find equal support,—a government could be maintained,-not by the power of standing armies,—or the might of floating navies,—but by the willing support of an enlightened,—free—and patriotic people.

Warned by the wrecks of the past,—they liberated religion from bondage to the temporal power,—separated church from state,—and blotted from the statute books the crimes of non-conformity.—THEY QUENCHED THE FIRES THAT PERSECUTION HAD KINDLED,—PREVENTED THE ENACTMENT OF ANY LAW TO COMPEL ADHERENCE TO A SPECIFIED FORM OF WORSHIP,—disestablished churches and removed religious disabilities;—abolished all forced contributions to the maintenance of ecclesiastical authority;

—gave equal protection to every form of religious belief—and restrained forever the power of the government from being enlisted against the adherents of any sect or creed,—protecting with equal impartiality the mosque of the Musselman—and the altar of the fire-worshiper,—the church of the Protestant,—the Jewish synagogue and the Roman Cathedral.—The result has been the absolute triumph of disenthralled humanity.—M. T. Dooling.

OUR MARTYRED PRESIDENTS

The attribute of the human race—that has most distinguished it in all times and in all ages,—is respect for its ancestors and hope for its posterity.—The generation that shows little respect for the history,—teachings,—and precepts,—the fame and memory, of its ancestors,—is a generation deserving to be,—and likely to be,—forgotten and despised by posterity.—Respect for those that have preceded us,—hope for those that are to follow,—are the characteristics that tend to elevate mankind above the beasts,—and ally humanity nearest to the gods.—Without this influence prevailing in a controlling degree,—nothing good could long survive;—no evil could be destroyed.

Of the men nominated by the Republican party—and elevated to the office of President of the United States.—three have been.—during their terms of office,—assassinated. These three men—Lincoln.—Garfield.—and McKinley—were peculiarly the type and character of men that,—even from an assassin's point of view.—did not justifu assassination.—Each had been advanced from the ranks of toil by the suffrages of his countrymen.—Each,—in his own way,—but in an unusual degree,—was kind, - considerate, - loving, - gentle, - and forgiving.—It is true that during the administration of Abraham Lincoln—the country was engaged in one of the most fearful and lamentable wars that ever afflicted any people. -But what could have better illustrated the man,—his real spirit and love of peace,—than the closing words of his first inaugural address?

"In your hands,—my dissatisfied fellow-countrymen,—and not in mine,—is the momentous issue of civil war.—The government will not assail you;—you can have no conflict—without being yourselves the aggressors.—You have no oath registered in heaven to Destroy the government;—while I shall have the most solemn one to 'Preserve,—

PROTECT,—AND DEFEND IT."—Frank H. Short.

OUR UNTIMELY DEAD

If this people—and this nation—had existed only to give birth to Abraham Lincoln,—each would have justified its existence.—So long as history shall endure,—he will stand as an unanswerable contradiction to all who claim or assume that rank or station,—opportunities,—or even special preparation,—are essential to the greatest usefulness and success in a position of the greatest possible responsibility and honor.

No civilized man ever came into the world in greater loneliness or poverty.—He was born upon the border,—and grew up along the ragged edges of civilization.—without schools, or churches,—except of the poorest and the rudest,—wholly without the suppressed broadening influences of travel,—knowing only the advantages of that university of the outside world,—that college common to all of the American people,—he showed himself the equal in skill,—patience,—endurance,—and true statesmanship of any man of any age or country.—When others,—whose radical and

sectional course had brought the country to the verge of war and *separation*,—recoiled in alarm from the responsibility of the danger they had *created*,—he alone of *all* the leaders never *faltered*.

In all that pertained to the bonds of affection that should have united his distracted countrumen.—in the memories of the past. in the common interest of all.—in everything that tended toward peace and to avert war. he was vine and flower.—But in the performance of his duty as he saw it,—in his adherence to his official oath,—in the preservation of the Union as he found it,—he was rock and oak.— In simplicity,—in high character,—in the possession of that characteristic we call humanity of human nature,—he was the greatest character of all history.--Many of the great orations of the world have been preserved.—Two of these are each.—many times over.—shorter than any of the others.—Both of these were productions of Lincoln,—his second inaugural and his Gettysburg address.

Lincoln belonged to the rare class of statesmen who are willing to sow—that others may reap.—In his administration we lost hundreds of thousands of our bravest and best sons.—One-half of the shipping commerce of the

country blocked the other until both were destroyed.—Our great agricultural resources were laid in ruins over nearly half of the country.—The national debt multiplied—and grew into hundreds of millions.—Neither he—nor his immediate generation—was permitted to harvest the results of their sacrifice and loss.—In the estimation of many alleged statesmen of to-day,—the man who would sacrifice so much for a mere principle—should not be recognized as a statesman.—But none of these same men would dare question the wise statesmanship of Abraham Lincoln.—

GREED AND AVARICE MUST HAVE THEIR RE-WARD TODAY,—BUT TRUTH AND HONOR,—UN-DISTURBED,—AWAIT THE VERDICT OF POSTERITY —AND THE COMING OF GOD ALMIGHTY'S OWN AND BETTER TOMORROW.—Abraham Lincoln was the chief figure in the fiercest and the most unrelenting struggle that ever divided the people of any country.—While in all things he was unyielding in the preservation of the Union,—struggling always toward the light,—and always to do the right as God gave him to see the right,—no man was ever more resolute,—firm,— and determined,—yet no man was ever more kind and generous,—sympathetic and forgiving.—His greatest love was his love of truth.—His only enemies were the enemies of his country.—He recoiled with aversion and gentleness from offending any person.—He would oppose and offend all mankind in defense of a principle.—And so it has come to be true that he is beloved by all men—everywhere;—his greatness grows with the receding years,—for us and for all future generations.—Frank H. Short.

WILLIAM McKINLEY

William McKinley,—it seems but yesterday that he was with us,—the leader of leaders,—and the controlling force in all our great and momentous struggles with the problems that oppressed and vexed us then,—and will continue to engross the attention of succeeding generations.—

Many a man,—wise in his own conceit,—scoffing at the faith of his fathers,—and ridiculing the custom of his ancestors,—might easily discover a needed rebuke in the life and death of William McKinley.—

The assassination of President McKinley was as atrocious as any act could possibly be.—All his life he had been a kind man,—striving not to give offense to any one,—and to work

no injury even to his enemies.—His chief purpose in life seemed to be to labor from day to day-for the peace,-prosperity,-and wellbeing of his people:—to harvest for them today,—with as little loss and sacrifice as possible,—the greatest possible return for their labor and industry.—He was apparently entirely without malice.—He was a guest at a great national exposition—exemplifying peace, comity, and commerce.—With democratic simplicity he mingled with his fellow-citizens. -Himself childless.—he loved the patter of little feet—and the prattle of childish voices.— He stood with his hands on the head of a sweet and smiling child.—looking for a moment with love and tenderness on her innocent face.—It was thus-and at this moment-that a misborn,—calloused human brute—found it in his depraved nature,—not in his heart,—he could not have had a heart,—to shoot him to death. -No act ever exceeded in atrocity the "deep damnation of his taking off."—

Looking back over his life—his untimely and inexplicable assassination,—reverting to the history of our country,—in which he played so large A PART,—OBSERVING ALL THE MIRACLES OF WAR AND PEACE AND PROGRESS—THAT HAVE BEEN WROUGHT,—WE SAY,—SURELY, "IT IS GOD'S WILL AND WAY."

Let us hope that it shall be God's will and way—that those we mourn as our untimely dead,—with others whose worth and service have adorned the history of our country to such a degree—that,—having passed beyond,—and above us,—they belong to our country and to mankind;—shall from the battlements above forever look down upon the nation and the people that they served and loved so well,—and may they ever see their countrymen free,—equal,—and untrammeled,—and this nation moving on its destined and designed course,—that,—seeing,—they may know that they lived not,—labored not,—neither died,—in vain.—Frank H. Short.

TRIBUTE to the AMERICAN FLAG

To no man worthy of the name—is there an object on earth more dear than the flag of his country.—In every age—and in every clime—it has been the inspiration of the loftiest endeavor—and of the most ennobling self-sacrifice.—It makes an enthusiast of the cynic;—it sobers the drunkard in his brawl;—it makes a coward brave.—It is strong enough to separate friend from friend,—to sunder the closest ties of family and home,—to make a widow of the wife,—to rob the maiden of her lover.—

From out the hatreds and contentions and wars of the past,—history has preserved many an incident of heroism inspired by a nation's flag—to warm the heart of patriotism.—Banners—devoid of beauty,—representing little—beyond the cause of some petty dynasty,—often stirred men's souls to action.—And if this be true of the grotesque rags of antiquity,—what shall be claimed for a flag whose every color,—whose every device,—whose every thread,—and whose every stitch—is full of meaning?—We need not seek far afield for an instance in our modern world.—

In this age,—when commercial aggrandizement would sometimes seem to be the sole motive of human effort,—when we are cynically told that a due regard for the security of government three-per-cents,—coupled with a willingness to take six-per-cents where the security is not so good,—has done more to promote the cause of civilization than the examples of all the saints and all the sages,—in this age,—almost yesterday,—and at our very doors,—has been performed an act of heroism,—the memory of which should live as long as the world goes spinning down the ages.—

Early on the 15th of March,—1889,—there rode peacefully at anchor in the little

harbor of Apia.—in Samoan Islands,—seven men-of-war,—the American Trenton, Vandalia, and Nipsic.—the German Eber, Olga, and Adler.—the British corvette Callione, and a small fleet of merchantmen.—In front of them lav the outer coral-reef, that skirted the island like one of Saturn's rings,-and behind them,—first the inner reef—and then the shore and a wilderness of waving cocoanutpalms.—Suddenly,—the falling of the barometer heralded the advent of the dreaded hurricane of the South Seas.—Steadily the barometer fell,—until all the war-ships,—heeding the warning,—sent down their top-gallant-masts, -housed their topmasts,-and lashed the lower yards on the rail.—Every ship had steam up and every anchor ready to let go.—By evening the storm had broken upon the fleet and every vessel had out her storm-anchors. some of them as many as five.—By midnight a furious hurricane leaped down upon the little harbor,—and continued its rage till one hundred and forty-five brave men had perished. till every merchantman was lost, and till every man-of-war but one was gone,-four being totally wrecked upon the reefs-and two driven maimed and disabled upon the shore.— The Trenton was now the only remaining

ship afloat.—Hers had been an awful fight in the outer harbor.—All the previous night she had steamed ahead when possible.—to aid the tension on three sheet-anchors.—The tugging and wrenching of this gigantic mass of four thousand tons—plunging and rolling on the cables—had been frightful.—By morning, -her rudder was carried away,-torn asunder by a piece of floating wreckage. In this helpless condition,—great floods of water began to pour in through the hawse-pipes upon the berth-decks-and down the hatches into the fire-rooms.—The crew worked like demons at the pumps and buckets to save the fires.— Every hatch on the spar and gun deck had been battered down.—They plugged up the hawse-nines,-but the wild force of waters tore the moorings away.—The firemen were serving the boilers,—waist-deep in water,—and by ten o'clock the last fire had been drowned out. -The crew rushed to the rigging,-hoisting a storm-sail on the mizzen,—and ran up the Stars and Strives to the gaff.—

All day long our brave boys fought to save that ship and flag.—Despite their heroic maneuvering with the storm-sails,—foot by foot the tempest crowded the Trenton with her dragging anchors toward death and destruc-

tion,—and as night began to descend,—parted her last remaining chain,—and hurled her broadside toward the reef.—Their rudder gone,—their fires gone,—their anchors gone—the flag still floated at the gaff.—They stopped to give three cheers to their comrades of the wrecked Vandalia dying in the rigging,—and then—when all hope had vanished—the poor boys of the band took their stand,—and beneath a foreign sky,—with their country's flag above them,—flinging its defiance to the gale,—as their ship went down into the yeast of her yawning grave—with their dying breaths—they played "The Star-Spangled Banner."—

THE BANNER THAT INSPIRED THAT ACT HAS ON ITS FOLDS NO SINISTER DESIGN,—BODES NO ILL TO ANY PORTION OF THE HUMAN RACE.—IT WILL BLESS ANY PEOPLE OVER WHOM IT MAY EVER FLOAT.—In any cause for the good of humanity,—it will ever be found "full high advanced."—It symbolizes all that is best in the national life of a great and mighty people.— Emblem of the true and the brave!—All its red is for liberty,—all its white for equality,—all its blue for fraternity,—and all its stars for the highest hopes—and tenderest fears and noblest aspirations of every lover of the good and the true and the beautiful,—of every soul

that makes for righteousness,—in every class,—of every creed,—and every color,—this wide world 'round,—among all the sons of men.—

John F. Davis.

The GENIUS of AMERICA

Our light cannot be hid.—As for me.—I dare not. I will not.—be false to freedom!—Where in youth my feet were planted,—there my manhood and my age shall march.—I will walk beneath her banner.—I will glory in her strength. -I have seen her,-in history,-struck down on a hundred chosen fields of battle.—I have seen her friends flu from her:—I have seen her foes gather around her;—I have seen them bind her to the stake;—I have seen them give her ashes to the winds,—regathering them, that they might scatter them yet more widely. -But when they turned to exult,-I have seen her again meet them face to face,—clad in complete steel,—and brandishing in her strong right hand a flaming sword—red with insufferable light!—And I take courage.—THE GENIUS OF AMERICA WILL AT LAST LEAD HER SONS TO Freedom!—Anonymous.

WASHINGTON

All the resources of lofty and loving eloquence—have been exhausted in vain attempts to portray the rounded greatness and the genius for war and government—of the "Father of his Country."—Oratory has paid its tribute to his civic virtues;—poetry has laid its immortal wreath upon his brow;—scholarship has sought to sound the depths of his practical wisdom,—and patriotism has striven to express its admiration,—its gratitude,—and its love for the character,—the services,—and the legacy—of George Washington.

His fame *increases*; it grows with the flight of years. A century has come and gone since he closed his eyes in eternal sleep;—but he lives—lives in the government he founded,—lives in the principles he enunciated.

As military leader,—history—the disinterested,—the dispassionate, judgment of men has fixed his place.—Alexander,—Hannibal, Caesar,—Napoleon,—Wellington—each has his champions,—some their idolators; but, all things considered,—the times,—the places, —the circumstances,—the mighty opposing foe,—the small resources,—difficulties overcome,—dangers removed,—victory achieved, —thus measured,—Washington takes his rightful place at the very head of military genius,—and there he will remain forever.—

I need not dwell on his military life and achievements.-You know them by heart.from Boston to Yorktown.—and I would hasten to consider Washington other than as a soldier.—But, with our minds fixed for a moment on the tragedy and triumph of battle. there is one continuing fact which patriotism loves to mention,—and may be pardoned for mentioning, at any time,—on any occasion, and that glorious fact is.—that the flag of our country,—first lifted to heaven by Washington.—has been carried in victory from the days of the Revolution to this very hour,—from Yorktown to Santiago,—never knowing defeat,—and blessing alike the victor and the vanquished.-

It is easier to gain liberty than to maintain it;—it is easier to win a battle—than to found a state.—To use the thoughtful and beautiful words of Charles Sumner,—"Gaining liberty is not an end,—but a means only,—a means of securing justice and happiness,—the real end and aim of states,—as of every human heart."—The thirteen colonies were in fact one people,—and in their international relations one nation.—But in other respects—in an interstate,

—constitutional sense—they were so many separate sovereignties.—

One by one—the several "free,—sovereign,—and independent states"—formally ratified these articles of Confederation,—and the cannon—in the yard of Independence Hall—announced to the world the "glorious compact"—on the first day of March, 1781.—It was indeed a glorious compact,—and gloriously did our fathers triumph under it.—

The treaty of peace was signed at *Paris* on September 3, 1783.—The military duties of Washington were *performed*.—His country was *free*.—

However much the world may praise Washington for his military achievements,—whatever of imperishable luster his genius shed upon our arms,—he rendered a greater and more valuable service to liberty—when as presiding officer,—he guided and controlled in large measure the deliberations of the Federal convention.—But for his conservative views and conciliating nature,—but for the confidence the delegates had in his spotless integrity—and self-denying patriotism,—but for his calmness and coolness and patience,—his proved devotion to his country,—his practical wisdom,—and his consequent influence over

the minds and hearts of his associates,—we now know that the convention would have dissolved in strife—and broken up in a quarrel,—and that the attempt to form a "more perfect union"—would have ended in lamentable failure.— Debate was animated,—interests clashed,—jealousies existed,—and rivalry contended,—and all to such an extent that at times the convention was "scarce held together by the strength of a hair;"—but through those four months of doubt and fear—Washington sat,—patient,—forbearing,—and by the very form of moral grandeur allayed passion and molded antagonisms into harmony.

HOW SHALL WE EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE TO WASHINGTON?—As without his genius our battle for independence would have probably been lost, as without his counsel the Philadelphia convention never would have agreed upon the constitution.—so without his Influence THAT GREAT INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT.— UNDER LAW,-NEVER LIBERTY PEOPLE.— REEN RATIFIED RY THE To him, more than to any other man,—we owe the formation of our present Union;—without him, there would have been no common country to live for-or to die for;-without him, the flag of our hearts and hopes,—your flag,—

my flag,—the flag of Jackson,—Scott,—and Grant,—of Dewey yonder at Manila,—of Shafter—there at Santiago,—the flag of unnumbered heroes whose blood has sanctified it,—without Washington,—the flag of this republic would not be known and respected on every wave, honored and saluted in every port,—the symbol of our power,—the emblem of liberty under law.—Samuel M. Shortridge.

MEMORIAL DAY ADDRESS

This day is consecrated to the nation's dead and living soldiers.—We come in thankfulness —matron and maid.—sire and lad—to scatter fragrant flowers on honored dust,—and for the martyrs-who sleep unknown-but not unwept.—We come to grasp the hands of the surviving heroes—who responded to their country's cry of anguish—when the temple of liberty was assailed and her sacred altars desecrated; — who endured the long, — weary march,—the cruel deprivations of the camp, the fevered heat at noon—and the chilling cold of night:—who stormed the frowning heights where treason was intrenched,—and met upon a hundred fields—the brave but misguided hosts—that in madness and folly—sought to

destroy the edifice dedicated with the prayers and consecrated by the valor and blood of the patriot fathers,—who carried the tattered but dear flag of their country—through fire and flood and "valley and shadow of death."—

But for the ones who answer not.—who sleep the dreamless sleep of death,—who died with the face of mother near their hearts.—the name of country on their lips,—what shall we say?—They cannot hear our words—nor see the offering of our hands;—they are past all battles,—all marches.—all victories.—all defeats:-- "on Fame's eternal camping-ground their silent tents are spread."—and the troubled drum disturbs their sleep no more.—And yet, -O, sacred shades of the unreplying dead,we feel your presence now.—We hear the shot of Sumter that wakened all the land.—We see you coming down from the mountains, up from the plains, and marching away to battle, leaving behind,—alas! forever,—faithful wife. —loving children,—aged mother,—venerable father.—We see you by the camp-fires dimly burning.—We see you in the cannon-smoke and hurricane of war.—We hear the command to charge,—which you obey,—how bravely, with bosom bared—and parched and thirsty lips.—We see you wounded and bleeding.—

We see you in the hospitals of fever and pain. We see you again with your regiment,—with courage undaunted.—vour love for home and flag intensified.—We see your comrades fall around vou like flowers of spring cut down.— We see you captured—and hurried away.— We see you wasting in awful dungeons.—languishing in prison-pens. We catch the faint accent of your tongues—as you murmur a prayer for your country—and for the loved ones—that come to you in your dreams.—We see you encounter death in the gaunt and hideous form of starvation—and quail not.— We see you die! Die for what?—Die for WHOM?—DIE FOR US AND GENERATIONS YET TO RE!

All hail to the saviors of this beloved land!— Humbly we lay our offerings on the dead.— Reverently we invoke the blessing of Almighty God on the declining years of the living!—

And so we bow before the heroes who saved our country;—we stand uncovered beside the graves of the martyrs who died in her sacred cause.—Peace and honor to the living; honor and peace to the dead.—Samuel M. Shortridge.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

From the view-point of to-day,—when our nation has reached a position of might. wealth-and power-untold among the nations of the earth.—we strain our eves backward through the perspective of forty years of achievement and progress,—never paralleled in all history.—and there,—upon the horizon of the past,—above the vapors and the clouds of passion and prejudice,—of hatred and sectional strife,—above the shock and roar. —the carnage,—the agony,—the devastation and desolation of fratricidal war,-all the world may behold,—emblazoned on the everlasting heavens,—the pure personality,—the magnificent life,—the sublime achievements, and the immortal glory of Abraham Lincoln.—

Abraham Lincoln was only fifty-six years old—when his tragic death removed him from the world;—and his great achievements were accomplished,—the mountain top of his career was builded,—in the last seven years of his life.—Lincoln was scarcely known outside the state of Illinois—until the year 1858.—What fame he had before 1858—was local. Till then,—he was not ranked among the great statesmen of the nation.—

When Lincoln was nominated for the

Presidency—at Chicago—on May 18, 1860,—he at once leaped into prominence as a factor in world politics.—When election-day was past,—and the result known for a certainty,—the elements of discord became,—if possible,—more agitated and turbulent,—and Lincoln found himself in the very center of a seething whirlpool of difficulty and danger.—Then it was that the storm which had been slowly gathereing year by year,—and decade after decade,—since the day of the adoption of the constitution,—burst in all its fury upon our devoted land.—

No need at *this* time to try to picture in detail the agony and *suffering* of the four long years of blood and iron which *followed*. —

The difficulties and dangers encountered by Abraham Lincoln—during his four years as President of the United States—have hardly,—if ever,—been equalled by the head of any government of a civilized land in the same space of time.—When he stood upon the Capitol steps at Washington on March 4, 1861,—and, raising his hand to Heaven,—solemnly swore to uphold the laws and constitution of the United States,—eight millions of his fellow-citizens—(one-third the population of the country)—were antagonistic to him and to his

policy,—and in insurrection against his government.—

Then a series of disasters and defeats pursued the Union arms,—in themselves more than enough to make the stoutest hearts quail,—and blanch with fear and apprehension the faces of the strongest friends of the government.

In the summer of 1863 the crisis came.— General Robert E. Lee.—at the head of his victorious army,—invaded Pennsylvania, but was met and mastered by Meade at Gettysburg.—The invasion of Pennsylvania marked the high tide of rebellion:—the blood-crested waves of war broke in vain—and spent themselves against the stone wall at Gettysburg. and when Pickett and his twenty thousand of the chivalry of the South charging against the stubborn lines of blue—were hurled backward. —crushed and broken, — the storm-clouds lifted,—and the stars of hope gleamed out again over our stricken land.—COLUMBIA WAS BORN INTO A NEW LIFE OF FREEDOM, -AND THE "GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, AND FOR THE PEOPLE," WAS ESTAB-LISHED ON AMERICAN SOIL,—FIRM AS THE ROCK OF AGES!

The years of Lincoln's toil and humble en-

deavor—rounded out and developed his life and character,—and made him strong and resourceful,—so that when in God's chosen time he was called to stand for human rights and human liberty,—even to stand within the fierce white light which beats upon the head of Columbia's uncrowned kings,—he came with a sympathy for the hopes,—the needs,—and the aspirations of the common people.—

No other country could have produced exactly such a man;—no other nation had a place for such a pure, gentle, noble character.— When he came to the leadership of the nation he was ignorant,—apparently,—of the science of government;—yet no man of modern times knew more about statesmanship,—or had more of the instincts of a soldier,—excepting the cruelties.—than he.—He studied statecraft for the sole purpose of protecting the country: he made himself master of the science of war for the purpose of saving the Union.—His patriotism was not bounded by the opportunities his country afforded him,—but rather by what his country might do for others.—His religion began with a study of the life of Christ—and ended only in the hope of a life beyond the grave.—

To sum it all,—Lincoln's achievement and

triumph was, first,—to preserve the American republic,—next, to lift up millions of the lowly and downtrodden of the earth and to give to the image of the Maker—"carved in ebony"—the same rights,—the same privileges,—the same opportunities,—the same equality before the law,—enjoyed by his counterpart fashioned from ivory or alabaster.—

Lincoln's mission was to raise the standard of American citizenship,—advance our American civilization to higher and better levels,—and make more probable a better ultimate destiny for all mankind.—Duncan E. McKinlay.

NATIONAL ISSUES

In a government such as ours,—where Lazarus and Dives elbow each other at the voting booths,—where the people make and enforce their own laws,—and where every citizen has a voice in governmental affairs,—the ballot-box must ever be the peaceful arbiter of conflicting opinions respecting public measures and public policies.—To the end that the will of the people may be wisely and intelligently expressed,—it is necessary that the voter should fully and completely understand the issues

which he is called upon to determine.—The press is a potent educator in this behalf.—It brings to the fireside of the man of toil,—as well as to the library of the rich,—a daily record of the world's events,—and spreads out before the voter the facts from which his conclusions must be drawn.—

But, notwithstanding the opportunities for enlightenment that lie on every hand.—it is well for us to come together occasionally.—to meet one another face to face.—and in friendly deliberation—discuss the vital questions that affect the welfare of the state,—and which at the ballot-box must engage our best and our most earnest thoughts.—In these discussions and debates.—however,—we should ever keep in mind the fact that we are all citizens of a common country, and that all honest and patriotic men have but one hope.—ONE PUR-POSE.—ONE IDEAL.—IN VIEW.—AND THE PEACE AND THE PROSPERITY OF NATION AND THE COMFORT AND THE HAPPINESS OF ITS CITIZENS.—Anonymous.

LOYALTY to the NATION

On Memorial Day—our reflections are not,—and should not be, altogether sad.—True,—

the ceremony of decorating the graves of our dead heroes naturally superinduces a solemn and sorrowful vein of thought.—But having performed that sweet—sad duty,—and having met for these subsequent exercises,—our thoughts change and expand. As we recall the achievements of the Union army and navy—and contemplate the results of the War;—our emotions pass from sorrow to patriotic pride—and loyal exaltation.—

How the pulsations of our hearts quicken—as we remember the uprising of the loyal North—when the news was received that the flag had been fired upon at Sumter!—Ah!—the stirring days,—the heroic deeds,—the terrible years,—that followed!—In imagination we review the whole panorama of the mighty struggle.—Our spirits rise and fall—as we again note the incidents of victory or defeat.—Once more we exult over the final triumph of the Union cause.—Then,—how naturally on this day—do our thoughts and hearts turn to those heroes who led that victorious army of American volunteers.—

Why should we not be proud and exultant—when we remember that chief among them was the purest,—the wisest,—and the greatest soldier of the age,—our illustrious commander,

Grant?—But our thoughts still expand,—our spirits rise still higher, as we dwell upon the future grandeur of the republic—which was saved by the triumph of the Union army.— Inspired by such thoughts,—by such memories,—by such emotions,—we again renew our loyal devotion to the Union—and to that glorious flag,—of which an eminent citizen of the republic has said:—"BEAUTIFUL AS A FLOWER TO THOSE WHO LOVE IT,—TERRIBLE AS A METEOR TO THOSE WHO FEAR OR HATE IT,—IT IS THE SYMBOL OF THE POWER,—AND GLORY,—AND HONOR OF MORE THAN A HUNDRED MILLION OF AMERICANS."—Henry C. Dibble.

MEMORIAL to a PUBLIC MAN

This ceremony would be ceremony only,—signifying nothing,—did we fail to recall,—and consider,—and take to heart some of the rich lessons of the life and the death,—that have deserved these formalities.—

In this government it is ordered that human liberty does not depend upon the favor of men,—for it has been anchored in the law,—which is immortal.—But here,—as in all the earth,—human virtue—and the qualities of honor and fidelity—are made to depend upon the

good example of men who have held them, above all things, priceless and better than life.

—That these elements of character are to have perpetual succession in the world can be proved only in one way,—and this day is to be of record amongst the mass of evidence.—That proof is,—that the sensibilties of men are quickened—and their spirits are lifted in the presence of the upright man—or in the contemplation of his memory,—and from him they never withhold the final honors, which are not the due of station,—but of character only.—

In our free society,—that man is great who always does his duty with clean hands.—It may fall to him to command or be commanded in battle.—Let him,—then,—be a whole man,—for his country expects her sons to be heroes,—and not cowards.—He may sit in judgment in the tribunals which construe the law.—Then let him remember that his function is the reflection of that of Him—who cometh to judge the quick and the dead,—and be just.—He may be a lawmaker,—a high function, which is,—amongst men,—the counterpart of what nature has done in the immeasurable spaces of the universe.—Then let the lawmaker see to it that the very fountain of order,—the

source of statutes,—shall be without guile.— If he be the executor of that law,—let him remember that what originates in purity must be administered in justice;—and if he be the power that is higher than these,—the citizen,—may he remember that a vestal ballot,—unbought and unbribed,—is the very scripture of liberty,—inspired by it and preservative of it.

In those governments which are unlike ours, —greatness is often achieved by means that would be repugnant to the American conscience.—A ruler expects that his stature in history will be measured by the truculence of his policy,—by wars provoked,—and by victories won by his arms;—and unless his career is spectacular and full of circumstance,—he is held to have added nothing to the glory of his country or his dynasty.—

With us,—greatness rests upon dutiful obedience to the law.—Tried at last by time,—our public men may hope for noble prominence in history—only by exercising the unfailing self-restraint which associates their names with no breach of the law of the land,—beyond whose verge and limit ambition has no virtue.—

In other lands,—the path of glory overpasses this frontier, and laws and heads and hearts are broken by ambition, grown to be a vice by the absence of restraint.

The safety of a free state is in its administration by men who refuse to accomplish what is merely expedient by invasion of that which is right.—The latitudinarian,—who regards government as a special providence,—benignly administering narcotic kindness to all human aches and pains,—and commissioned to avert the penalties of transgression,—may pass, in his generation, as a philanthropist,—but he will not be remembered as a statesman.—His policy will soften the fibers of character,—weaken the resistant powers of men,—and finally turn government into a thoughtless benevolence,—and the governed into helpless dependents upon its bounty.—

This theory and method would have built the temple of liberty entirely of mortar, without buttress, or brace, or pilaster,—and would have left us without the occasion for such fine illustrations of manly strength of character as we are about to consider.—

THE PECULIAR VIRTUE OF OUR GOVERNMENT,
—THEN,—IS, THAT IT MAKES HIM GREATEST
—WHO,—UNDER GREATEST TEMPTATION,—IS
MOST OBEDIENT TO THE LAW,—and it calls into
constant activity that *independence* which self-

centers men and makes them the protectors of the government—rather than suppliants for its protection.—

Studied from each of these base-lines,—we are here to honor the memory of one,—who was by the one standard great,—and by the other,—an example of American self-reliance.—

Hon. John P. Irish.

UNCLE SAM

Self-government is a capacity,—rather than a right,—the prerogative that is always conditioned by the capacity to exercise the prerogative.—The matter of self-government is not one of race or color,—but of ability.—A monarchy is government of the one;—an oligarchy,—a government of the few; an aristocracy, a government of the rich;—and a partial democracy,—which we have in this country, a government of the many. Democracy was defined by Lincoln,—in his Gettysburg address—as a government "of the people,—by the people,—and for the people."—This may well be regarded as the most powerful political idea in the world.—Every throne on earth feels the impact of this logic,—and every people in the world awakens to its meaning.

Popular government in the *United States* has been regarded as an experiment:—but it is no longer an experiment in government: it is an assured fact.—We have seen.—with the assistance of the public school and republican institutions,—the wisdom of the people managing their own affairs in their own way. -We have vindicated our right to transact our political business without the assistance of a king.—The constant fight that has been made against the boss in American politics—is the assurance of the common people that they are the government.—We are the government of the United States,—and we have just as good government as we deserve.—The people are the republic.

It is impossible to extinguish the rising flame of popular liberty,—the light of which to-day illumines the heavens of the world.—THE RISE OF THE COMMON MAN IS REVOLUTIONIZING THE POLITICS OF THE WORLD.—When the laborer lays down his pick in the coal mines of Pennsylvania,—the President of the United States feels the national influence of his silence,—and when the common man casts his ballot,—every political party reckons with its power.—Democracy has become an opportunity;—it is the privilege of the many.

—Government is not for the sake of the governors,—but for the governed.—

Uncle Sam is a man of the home.—The home is the fundamental institution of the country.—more necessary than the church or the school.—Indeed, the home embodies these institutions:—for the first school was the fireside,—and the first teacher,—the mother;—the first church was the ancient Hebrew household. —and the first priest,—the father.—While we have the home.—we have the republic.—the very essence of our national life.—The morality of the people never rises above the morality of the domestic life;—hence the home may be regarded as the thermometer of the republic.— Uncle Sam has found the domestic life the inspiration of his higher conquests—and the reinforcement of his remarkable career.—Starting out across the continent to subdue the forests and wilderness,—he lies down in his cabin, with powder-horn and musket,—a king in his kingdom.—Going out to fight the battles of the nation,—he remembers the fireplace,—and becomes the indomitable warrior against the threatening enemies of his home.—

Uncle Sam is religious.—It is sometimes supposed that the average American lacks deep religious convictions.—He does believe in God.

—In great wars and in national crises through which he has passed,—he has held with unflinching faith to the *Eternal*.—Frequently cast down in the darkness of national disaster,—he has prayed to God.

Uncle Sam believes in education.—The schoolhouse has been the pillar of cloud of the pioneer.—It has developed from the log building to the university.—The training of the brain has been one of the higher passions of the Americans.—In the evolution of industry and in the establishment of popular government,—in the expansion of religion and in the construction of great cities,—education has been a powerful factor.—The public schools have reinforced democracy.

The people should know the English language,—and be intelligent as to the needs of the local community.—A knowledge of English is more necessary than a knowledge of Greek.—To be informed on the needs of America—is more necessary than to know all about ancient Rome.—

Uncle Sam is a humorist,—and in cracking his jokes—playing his pranks,—writing his wit,—which has the sparkle of champagne,—he has developed a school of humor.—The proverbial reflection upon the capacity of the Scot

to see a joke has never been cast on the American.—Uncle Sam,—the peaceful member of a democracy,—plowing his fields,—making his horseshoes,—transacting his business,—driving his train,—or propelling his ship,—is the model representative of the common people,—who are citizens, not soldiers.—

Citizenship is not a matter of religious faith nor partisan politics.—It is founded on a knowledge of the English language,—an intelligent conception of civic duty,—and on personal character.—There is more to fear from sleepy respectability—than from the vicious classes.—

Uncle Sam faces serious problems at home.

—Our form of government is always fraught with domestic issues and responsibilities.—Our greatest foes have been from within.—With our conglomerate mass of people,—the perplexing problems growing out of corrupt partisan politics,—the purification of the fountains of political power,—the problems of great cities,—the matter of immigration,—the maintenance of high national ideals,—the white man's burden in the South,—all are issues which must not be ignored.—Every man is called upon to be thoughtful as to the welfare of his country.—Since the Nazarene an-

nounced his original plan of government,—the common man has been in the ascendency. Ultimately, in the pilot-box of every ship of state will stand,—not the captain of industry,—not the warrior,—but the common man,—who, in the United States,—is represented by that majestic figure,—the incarnation of the lasting principles of popular government, Uncle Sam.—Rev. William Rader.

YOUNG MEN in POLITICS

The subject is inspiring and peculiarly appropriate upon an occasion like this,—when so many of the intelligent,—progressive,—and representative young men of the state have assembled for the purpose of considering the political conditions of the country,—and with a view of contemplating and devising methods -whereby the highest interests of the commonwealth may be promoted.—That every man who is solicitous for good governmentshould take an active interest in politics and political questions,—surely, scarcely admits of argument,—even if it needs affirmation.— And yet there are many bright and successful young as well as middle-aged men in business life and in the professions,—and men of independent wealth and of *leisure*,—who are not public-spirited *enough* to make their influence *felt* in the determination of party *policies*—or in the direction of public *affairs*.

The result is,—as we all know,—that frequently the civil rights and interests of the people are committed to the tender mercies of a predatory class,—whose highest aim, it may be modestly said,—is not for the public good.—The "upright" citizens,—also,—it must be admitted,—although they are not strenuous enough to assert themselves,—or to make any effort to do so,—in the selection of their party nominees or in the administration of the law,—are often most violent in their denunciation of political corruption—and in their lamentations over the general decadence of the times.—

If by any feeble words of mine—I could induce our people to take a deeper—and more determined and persistent interest in politics,—I should feel that I had accomplished something worthy of greater efforts than any power of mine can perform.—I speak especially to young men,—because their habits of thought and of life are more susceptible to influence,—and because the future holds more in store for them,—and a greater obligation rests upon

them in view of their capabilities and opportunities.—What I shall submit for your consideration is not said in a spirit of criticism or fault-finding,—but rather of commendation and friendly suggestion.—

It has been said.—"that it is easier to criticise the greatest thing done superbly,—than to do the smallest thing indifferently."—But I want to sav,—voung men,—that you should be interested in politics,—and you should continue to be a factor in the government of the country-so long as you are physically and mentally able to participate in public affairs.— May the young men-"just fresh from the Creator's hands,—and with the unspent energies of the coming eternity wrapped in their bosoms,—contemplate the mighty gifts with which they have been endowed."—and resolve that they will devote them—as far as possible to the welfare of the state and of the nation, and may they remember,—as Robert C. Winthrop said,—"THAT SELF-GOVERNMENT POLITI-CALLY-CAN ONLY BE SUCCESSFUL-IF IT BE ACCOMPANIED BY SELF-GOVERNMENT PERSON-AILY:—that there must be government somewhere;—and that if the people are indeed to be sovereigns,—they must exercise their sovereignty over themselves individually as well as over themselves in the aggregate,—regulating their own lives,—resisting their own temptations,—subduing their own passions,—and voluntarily imposing upon themselves some measure of that restraint and discipline—which under other systems is supplied from the armories of arbitrary power;—the discipline of virtue—in the place of the discipline of slavery."—Albert G. Burnett.

The WISDOM of WASHINGTON

Where, indeed, could a theme be found, more vast in its proportions or more diversified in its attributes,—compressed within such narrow bounds?—A century has rolled by since Washington was laid to rest beneath the sod of Mount Vernon.—And yet—wherever upon the face of the globe—the emblem under which he fought the great fight of independence is unfurled,—in every city,—town,—village, and hamlet-within the confines of the republic;—upon every craft flying the Stars and Stripes—which floats upon the waters.—from the stately and awe-inspiring battle-ship horrent with engines of destruction.—to the humblest fishing-smack that plows its peaceful way under the shadow of the lee shore.—nav.—in remote and strange lands,—whether in the frozen regions of the poles or under the burning sun of the tropics.—wherever a heart is found to beat in an American breast.—there. on this day,—with public pomp or private ceremonial,—the birth of Washington is commemorated.—How measure the worth of that life.—whose fame.—defving not only the power of time,—but reversing the laws of terrestrial things,—grows brighter with each revolving year,—and keeps pace with the march of civilization wherever its standard is advanced over the habitable alobe?—What influence do the character,—the example,—the precepts—of Washington exert to-day upon the destiny of the nation in the unprecedented and changed conditions which surround it?—When forgetful of the concerns clamoring for attention at home,—we talk in swelling phrase about our duty to humanity abroad;—when we imagine ourselves the champions of Providence, -fraught with the mission of emancipating and regenerating mankind;—when we allow our imagination to be dazzled—and our vanity to be flattered—by invitation to an alliance with a monarchy,—kindred,—it is true,—but for all that,—none the less proverbially egotistic in its policy.—what voice rings clear

through the mists of a century to warn us that
—"it is folly in one nation to look for disinterested favors from another;—that it is an illusion which experience must cure,—which a
just pride ought to discard"?

Are we deaf to these utterances?—Do we hear them unmoved?—Has the power which has been our guide for a hundred years now ceased to have force?—Have those precepts under which our national greatness has developed,—our commerce flourished.—and the happiness of the people been secured, lost their efficacy?—Is the influence of the example and the teachings of Washington henceforth to be no more?—Believe it not!—The day will come—it never vet has failed to come to the people of these United States—when the temporary illusions of the hour shall be dispelled —like the mists of morning,—when reason shall resume her sway,—when this nascent proneness to neglect our affairs at home in a fantastic attempt to usurp the functions of the Omnipotent in the regulation of the world, shall be looked upon as the fitful and momentary aberrations of a fevered mind.—The day will come when we shall realize that our true interests are here,—and concern our own people;—that the principles by which we conquered and still maintain our independence demand that we allow other nations to achieve or retain theirs:—and that if expansion be our wish,—we should remember that we still have within our own borders,—upon soil indisputably ours,—room enough for a ten times greater number of freemen—children of the temperate zone—than the fevered swamps of the Antilles—or the jungles of the Malayan Archipelago could support.—THE DAY WILL COME WHEN, -- WITH THE ACCUSTOMED REV-ERENCE OF OLD,-WE WILL RETURN TO THE WISDOM AND STATESMANSHIP OF WASHINGTON, -AND IN THE FUTURE, -AS IN THE PAST,-WILL CONTINUE TO REAR THE EDIFICE OF OUR NATIONAL GREATNESS UPON THE BROAD AND SAFE FOUNDATIONS WHICH HE HAS LAID.

On that day,—and until the waters of the ocean shall have engulfed the continent,—and this loved land of ours shall be no more,—author of our independence,—founder of our government,—primordial magistrate of the republic,—father, and sage,—whose ashes are inurned within the sepulcher of Mount Vernon,—but whose spirit can never die,—be with us,—yet and evermore.—D. M. Delmas.

The UNVEILING of a MONUMENT

We are gathered here to-day to commemorate an historical incident in the early history of the Western land—an incident replete with deeds of heroism,—of suffering and of sacrifice.—

But in a broader sense—we are here to dedicate a monument to the courage,—the valor and the unconquerable spirit of Pioneers,—the men and women who braved the burning desert and the snowbound summits—to help build on these far Pacific slopes a free and enlightened commonwealth.—

Westward the course of empire was taking its way—and those early pioneers saw in this glorious Western land of sunshine the home of their dreams.—As we look back over the brief period that has elapsed since the pioneers set out on their long pilgrimage,—we cannot but marvel at the transformation that has taken place.—

What was then an almost unknown and an almost unpeopled region is to-day a rich empire,—studded with thriving cities and towns;—a land of limitless wealth;—a commonwealth second to none in refining influence of art—and science—and culture:—the home of mil-

lions of loyal and devoted American men and women.—

As we contemplate the hardships endured—and the sublime courage displayed by that group of sturdy Pioneers,—we realize that we—of this generation—are face to face with a situation that calls for the same spirit of resolute devotion to duty—and the same willingness to Endure,—if need be,—the extreme of personal Sacrifice.—

At this moment the eyes of the world are focused upon the conflict that is raging on Europe's battle-scarred fields,—anxiously awaiting the issue that means so much to the peace and safety of the whole world.—

California's sons are there,—doing their part heroically,—grandly.—They are there to fight for the preservation of the liberty of the whole world.—William D. Stephens.

No FLAG but the STARRY BANNER

Oh, land of heaven-born freedom,—sweet land of liberty;—land of our birth or our adoption,—mistress of our hearts and queen of our affections,—land rescued to independence by the splendid aid of our forefathers,—land redeemed from dissolution by the sterling

help of our heroes; benevolent empire, spreading out the domain of free institutions by the generous help of our brothers and sons: -sacred land.-hallowed by the blood of heroes on every field of battle:-land consecrated with the graves of our loved ones—who lived and died beneath the sheltering field: land dear to us by the benefactions you have flung at the feet of every exile who has come within your gates:—land good to us and ours and all,—beyond the goodness of all the other nations of the world—to men since time began: —land of our first fealty and our best love, of our sworn allegiance and our undivided loualty:—LAND FREE,—BELOVED \mathbf{OF} THE AMERICA—in this day of difficulty.—as in all your troubled days that have gone before,—we ask no questions but of your best interests. will shrink from aught that might embarrass or embroil you,—and will know no flag but uours.—John J. Barrett.

The SIMPLICITY of TYRANNY

Not as poet's dream,—is Freedom to be represented;—not as a fair young maiden with light and delicate limbs,—but, rather as a bearded man—armed to the teeth,—whose

massive limbs are strong with struggling.—
For man has through the centuries fought—
and battled—and won triumphs,—has gained
the treasures of art,—has built magnificent
temples,—has wrought with cunning and
skill.—All things have come to him with
splendid realization.—But the one thing which
is his by right,—God-given and eternal, the
one thing for which he has battled from the
smallness of Time,—has been the last to be accorded to him.—That thing is the right to
think.—

The mind—which should be as free as the winds of heaven,—has always been held in chains,—weighed down by the tyrant's knee upon its breast.—By some strange perversity of the human heart,—the very moment that power is placed in the absolute keeping of some one man over his fellows.—that moment he schemes to enslave the minds of those about him,—or—if failing so to do,—gives them over to the torture chamber or the thumbscrew.— The right to think,—God-given and eternal though it may be,—has been won only by wading through seas of blood—and pressing forth into the wilderness of an unknown world.—By what process has society been formed—that this God-given right has been delayed until

this nineteenth century?—By what process did this desire to thwart man's natural heritage first arise?—From what habit of primitive man did it receive its first impetus?

It is the power of wealth that destroys a nation.—Law ceases to be of any value.—The social fabric becomes a festering mass of rottenness.

It may be stated as a fact,—that no nation ever died because it was poor—that is to say,—poor in purse.—It could not be poor while it was rich in manhood.—There was another thing that entered into making men poor indeed and depriving them of the right to think;—it was the difficulty which stood in the way,—preventing freedom of mind,—because it was so much easier to submit than to organize against the ages and overturn the old order of things.—

To administer an *empire* requires only an *emperor*,—but to organize and carry on a *republic* demands *many* incorruptible citizens who are more anxious over the Common good than they are over their own Personal good.—Adley H. Cummins.

The CIVIC CONSCIENCE

To purify politics we should first purify those from whom the politicians derive their powers.—What is most needed in this country to-day is a sound civic conscience,—a clear and deep intellectual perception of truth,—a moral prescience which enables its possessor to differentiate right from wrong,—coupled with an impulse toward rectitude.—The civic conscience is the corner-stone of good citizenship,—the mainspring of patriotism, the right which men should follow in every contact with government,—and with society.

A people without its pure flame to guide them—are groping in darkness on the brink of a chasm.—The country basking in its effulgence is immune to decay.—It does not suffice to urge men to do their civic duty.—They must have a proper sense of their obligations and their hearts must be inclined toward right action.—To That end the heart as well as the Mind must be cultivated,—and that sort of cultivation comes with Religious Teaching.—It has been pretty clearly demonstrated that there can be no moral progress under a system that has not honor for its basic principle.

A sense of honor is incompatible with indulgence of the passions that breed depravity. —The civic conscience is becoming atrophied in this materialistic age—because of the growing popularity of the twentieth century gospel, -the gospel of corrupting wealth-which urges material ideals contrary to the fundamentals of ethical and pure Christianity.— Hence the paramount importance of persistent denunciation of the irrational coveting of gold.—and the eternal glorification of the idealities.—Let us quit apotheosizing Success. -and proclaim more frequently the higher purposes of existence which inspire grand and beneficent effort.—By this course we may, in time,—acquire a civic conscience which will find expression—not only in political activities —but in all our relations with society.—Theodore Ronnet.

OUR REPUBLIC?

What is this Republic?—It is the concentrated expression of intelligent free men—organized for the advancement of themselves in the pathways of honor and virtue,—asking for higher and better things,—not seeking for enslavement.

Reviewing the array of nations prepared for war,—I see a mighty nation—a Russia,—a France,—a Germany,—and England,—with their millions of men armed and ready to strike;—ready to fight;—ready to extinguish life.—I see their serried forms,—not only upon land,—but their wondrous navies upon the vasty deep;—I behold their mighty cannon leveled at the foe;—and I ask myself,—why is it thus?—I turn back my eyes to the days when on Calvary's mount the Nazarene died that man might live—and that peace might prevail; and I wonder whether in this nineteenth century,—in this day and in this hour—we are in reality sincere.—

For myself,—my views are clear.—I believe in my country.—Her I am ready to defend.— On her great shore,—from her mountain tops,—and from every vale within which she attempts to exercise jurisdiction,—I believe it to be the duty of our manhood to rally to the support of the American flag.—But I think that her destiny is something more than to subjugate rattlesnakes,—boa constrictors,—Filipinos or Cubans.—I look upon her as the typification of the republic of the ages.—I regard her as containing within her mighty bosom the truth of centuries,—received from

those who have striven to elevate virtue,—to take women and men and build them up to be higher and better things in the struggling story of mortality.—I believe in that,—and I summon to that great contest no barbarian horde.

—If I have anything to say,—if my voice may summon from the vasty deep,—if it may call from the mountain top,—if it may bring echoes from the plain,—the note will be,—"Let us fight that manhood may be better;—that it may be greater."—

AND AT MY SIDE, I WANT INTELLECT,—PURITY,—TRUTH,—MANHOOD;—AND ABOVE ME THE STANDARD OF JUSTICE.—Stephen M. White.

MAKERS of the FLAG

This morning, as I passed into the Land Office,—The Flag dropped me a most cordial salutation,—and from its rippling folds I heard it say:—"Good morning,—Mr. Flag Maker."

"I beg your pardon,—Old Glory,"—I said. "Aren't you mistaken?—I am not the President of the United States,—nor a member of

Congress,—nor even a general in the army.—I am only a government clerk."

"I greet you again,—Mr. Flag Maker,"—replied the gay voice,—"I know you well.—You are the man who worked in the swelter of yesterday—straightening out the tangle of that farmer's homestead in Idaho,—or perhaps you found the mistake in that Indian contract in Oklahoma,—or helped to clear that patent for the hopeful inventor in New York,—or pushed the opening of that new ditch in Colorado,—or made that mine in Illinois more safe,—or brought relief to the old soldier in Wyoming.—No matter;—whichever one of these beneficent individuals you may happen to be,—I give you greeting,—Mr. Flag Maker."—

I was about to pass on,—when "The Flag" stopped me with these words:—

"Yesterday the President spoke a word that made happier the future of ten million peons in *Mexico*;—but that act looms no larger on the *flag* than the struggle which the boy in Georgia is making to win the Corn Club prize this *summer*.—

"Yesterday the Congress spoke a word which will open the door of Alaska;—but a mother in Michigan worked from sunrise until far into

the night to give her boy an education.—She, too, is making the flag.—

"Yesterday we made a new law to prevent financial panics,—and yesterday,—maybe,—a school-teacher in Ohio taught his first letters to a boy who will one day write a song that will give cheer to the millions of our race.—We are all making the flag."—

"But,"—I said impatiently,—"these people were only working."—

Then came a great shout from The Flag:—
"The work that we do is the making of the flag.—

"I am not the flag;—not at all.—I am but its shadow.—

"I am whatever you make me,—nothing more.—

"I AM YOUR BELIEF IN YOURSELF,—YOUR DREAM OF WHAT PEOPLE MAY BECOME.—

"I live a changing life,—a life of moods and passions,—of heartbreaks and tired muscles.—

"Sometimes I am strong with *pride*,—when men do an honest work, fitting the rails together *truly*.—

"Sometimes I droop,—for then purpose has gone from me, and cynically I play the coward.—

"Sometimes I am loud,—garish and full of that ego that blasts judgment.—

"But always I am all that you hope to be, and have the courage to try for.—

"I am song and fear,—struggle and panic,—and ennobling hope.—

"I am the day's work of the weakest man,—and the largest dream of the most daring.

"I am the Constitution and the courts,—statutes and the statute makers,—soldier and dreadnought,—drayman and street sweep,—cook, counselor,—and clerk.—

"I am the battle of yesterday,—and the mistake of to-morrow.—

"I am the mystery of the men who do without knowing why.—

"I am the clutch of an idea,—and the reasoned purpose of resolution.—

"I am no more than what you believe me to be—and I am all that you believe I can be.—

"I am what you make me,—nothing more.—

"I swing before your eyes as a bright gleam of color,—a symbol of yourself,—the pictured suggestion of that big thing which makes this Nation.—My stars and my stripes are your dream and your labors.—They are bright with cheer,—brilliant with courage,—firm with

faith, because you have made them so out of your hearts. For you are the makers of the flag and it is well that you glory in the making."—Franklin K. Lane.

PIONEER MOTHERS

It has been said—that the lives of the Puritan mothers—were undoubtedly harder to bear than the lives of the Puritan fathers,—because the mothers had to endure the same hardships as the fathers endured,—and,—in addition,—had to endure the fathers.—But the men whose axes blazed the trails of civilization through the forests of the First West,—and the sons who crossed the plains were not men of Puritan austerity and gloom,—though there ran in the veins of many of them,—indeed,—the blood of that famous breed.—The large liberty of the wilderness spoke into the hearts of the Pioneers a kindlier faith,—a more catholic tolerance.—

'Among the many fine characteristics of this strong and adventurous race of men—one stands out in white light,—their unaffected reverence of women—in the homely and beautiful aspect of wife and mother.—They carried this reverence almost to the point of the fan-

tastic—and no knight of chivalry's ancient day—was more prompt to lay lance in rest to avenge insult to his lady-love—than were these men prompt with fist or pistol—to defend the good name and honorable repute of plain Betsy or Jane.—He took his life carelessly in his hand who talked lightly of the Pioneer's womankind.—They were good and brave women,—and all that we have that is worth having in our own characters,—as well as all this wonderful civilization which now stands,—so splendid,—so magnificent,—where stretched the wilderness their hands helped to subdue,—we owe to their goodness and to their bravery.—

We are apt to think of states—as though they were founded on war and conquest,—and their glories and happiness as secured by the arms and the valor and the toil of their men.—But in truth—the happiness and glory of a people—is always in ratio to the virtues and the valor of its women.—It is upon the supreme and sacred function of motherhood—that the edifice of the republic securely rests.—

Not in its ships of battle—nor in its armies—nor in its riches—nor in its numbers is the nation's final strength,—but in the character of its women.—Taken as a whole,—the genera-

tion which sprang from these daughters of the wilderness—was a race full of vigor,—inheriting not alone bodily strength,—but that large and magnanimous strength of mind and dauntlessness of spirit—which their fathers and their mothers wore—as a sign upon their hands and as frontlets between their eyes.—Nor was the wilderness always harsh and its face austere.—It offered to those hardy adventurers the liberty which they prized above all gifts,—and the promise of that abundance—with which it was to blossom under their subduing hands.—It wrought into the very fibres of their being—an admirable largeness of soul.—

They possessed a valiant simplicity—and went about the most heroic tasks with no notion that they were doing anything out of the ordinary;—and chiefly they did their work—whether in the field—or in the neighborhood senates—or in the battle—or in the kitchen—or at the wash-tub—or facing matters of life and death—these warrior men and women—of whom no bard has ever yet sung the noble epic—with a stubborn faith in their own endurance and a high unchallenging trust in the Providence which they believed to hold them in the hollow of its Almighty hand.—

So they came by rough roads—and thorny

ways from the firesides of their old homes,—scattered over many states—and foregathered in the new land,—and in the courage of their simple hearts—and the strength of their strong hands,—they wrought the mighty fabric of those commonwealths in which we live,—surrounded by the innumerable comforts of a happy society.—

The Pioneer mothers did not alone travail in birth with us who are their children;—they brought forth upon their knees—and nourished with their own milk—the states themselves.—And the glory of the Republic is their glory;—its renown their renown;—its greatest story their story.—

With the stones and the mortar of their innumerable hardships,—their sufferings,—their valor,—their self-denial and their faith,—the approving providence of God built this very temple of orderly and lawful Liberty—to which we men and women draw for shelter and safety.—The fire upon its altars they kindled.—And while that fire burns,—from generation to Generation,—the tale of the Virtues—and the Sacrifices—and the Achievements of our simple and heroic Mothers shall not die on the lips of Men.—Phil Frances.

The END of the WAR!

The German *Empire*,—proclaimed for world domination three *generations* ago,—has fallen.—Instead of majestic triumphs along Unter den *Linden*,—with captives drawn at the chariot wheels of the *Hun*,—we see the Hohenzollerns fleeing to the shelter of neutral land in far deeper ignominy than ever fled Napoleon.—A German Commune,—like that which swept with anarchy and rapine thru the streets of Paris nearly fifty years ago,—carries the red flag to-day in Berlin.—We are living years in a day.—And along the streets of this Free People of America,—the sounds of rejoicing are heard on every hand.

The breakdown of German autocracy,—the end of this gigantic world-war;—the flight of the Imperial Hohenzollerns to realms altogether "in the Dutch"—are events of staggering significance.—But these are not the whole of it.—To us,—the events of the day and hour carry a far deeper significance in the things that abide with the Almighty God.—

Every person who knows anything about the fundamental philosophy and religion of Germany,—knows well that from the days of Ferdinand Christian Bauer,—down to the latest expositor,—there has been a relentless effort in Germany to rob the Bible of all its supernatural and spiritual suggestion.—God has been driven not only from the temples,—but also from the schools,—the homes,—the hearts,—of the people,—so far as autocracy could do it.—

In its place, has been put the gigantic Superman superstition of Nietsche,—Trietshke—and Bernhardi.—Haeckel and Von Hartmann,—and scores of smaller skeptics and agnostics—have preached their odious doctrines of materialism and boldly asserted that any means was justifiable in the attainment of the world-dominion of Germany.—Such horrid doctrine did the eminent German preacher,—Pastor W. Lehmann,—proclaim to a great congregation—that "Tho it may sound proud, yet will I say that the German soul is God's;—it shall rule over all mankind."—

It is this ogre,—this blasphemous and debasing travesty on Christianity,—that has fallen.—It was time.—An impious philosophy, —married to efficiency,—had reared a hellish brood.—These, also, have been driven out of Germany in this amazing debacle.—To us, the spiritual vandalism,—resulting from the emasculation of God;—the Germanizing of Christ—and the consequent Godlessness of the ruling element of German Nationalism,—are of far deeper significance than the Kaiser's personality.—Hands dripping with blood of Belgium—as they hide the pitiable face of the Hohenzollern,—fleeing from the throne of his fathers,—are not more stained than those which pointed the way of blood from the pulpits—or set the lessons of impious atheistic teachings before little children in a happy land.—They deliberately robbed the German people of a living God—and in His place set up a German god,—soulless,—military,—lustful of power.—"The German soul is God's;—it shall rule over mankind."—

And so we say—it is not alone a tyranny over the political welfare of a people that falls to-day.—It is the tyranny over thought,—pure aspiration,—and the sweet and precious belief in the Sermon on the Mount,—that falls with the ruins of that mighty political empire.

—Democracy is henceforth to be determined not in the currency of Nietsche—but in that of Saint Paul.—Human brotherhood is to be defined,—not by a God with a German soul,—but by a God who is a universal Father—as expressed by Him who died on Calvary.—No longer shall a nation teach from its pulpits its own exclusive partnership with a merciless

God and a lustful Saviour.—The eyes of the German people are to-day opened.—The fraud is exposed.—The superstition of the Superman is dead.—The German people themselves see it to-day—else why did God forsake them in battle—A false philosophy,—the most dangerous and pernicious ever conceived since the beginning of man,—has met its end.—HAD IT PERSISTED,—THE WORLD WOULD HAVE BEEN ENSLAVED;—FAITH WOULD HAVE DIED;—CHRIST WOULD HAVE BECOME A MYTH AND GOD A SOULLESS MOCKERY—the mask of a German ego,—conceived in lust and born amid slavery and murder.—

Celebrate!—There never was a day like it before since Earth began to turn within the realm of space!—It is the restoration of Brotherhood!—It is the attestation of God's loving care!—It is the apotheosis of human happiness.—They must be celebrating it in Heaven!—A. G. S.

DEBIT and CREDIT of the WAR

Two ideas there are which,—above all others,—elevate and dignify a race,—the idea of God—and of country.—How imperishable is the idea of country!

What is our country?—Not alone the land and the sea.—the lakes and rivers—and valleys and mountains;—not alone the people,—their customs and laws:—not alone the memories of the past.—the hopes of the future;—it is something more than all these combined.—It is a divine abstraction. You cannot tell what it is:—but let its flag rustle above your head. you feel its living presence in your hearts.— They tell us that our country must die:—that the sun and the stars will look down upon the great republic no more;—that already the black eagles of despotism are gathering in our political sky;—that,—even now,—kings and emperors are casting lots for the garments of our national glory.—It shall not be!—

Not yet,—not yet,—shall the nations lay the bleeding corpse of our country in the tomb.— If they could,—angels would roll the stone from the mouth of the sepulcher.—It would burst the casements of the grave and come forth a living presence,—"redeemed,—regenerated,—disenthralled."—Not yet,—not yet,—shall the republic die!—The heavens are not darkened,—the stones are not rent!—It shall live—it shall live,—the incarnation of freedom;—it shall live,—the embodiment of the power and the majesty of the people.—Bap-

tized anew,—it shall stand a Thousand years to come,—the colossus of the Nations,—its feet upon the Continents,—its scepter over the Seas,—its forehead among the Stars.—Anonymous.

On the FIRING LINE

For every soldier buried on the field,—there is a broken heart at home.—Is it in the busy street of the crowded city,—is it in the rural hamlet—or is it in the farm-house—under the shade of the trees—by the quiet country road?—God knows;—but somewhere within our borders—there is a ruined life;—somewhere a broken heart.—For, though the multitude heed it not,—every bullet that takes a life leaves desolate some home,—leaves broken some one's heart.—

I am not oblivious to the glorious side of war,—but I speak of that which first appeals to me,—the infinite pity of it all.—Yet there is another phase which is all too frequently overlooked,—and which touches directly our more humane instincts,—which appeals at once to our gentler nature.—For centurics the fate of the soldier wounded on the field—or stricken by pestilence was to be left where he

fell,—with no one to care for him, and naught to do but to await the moment when pain,—and thirst,—and exhaustion should bring to him the relief from suffering—which his government was too busy to afford.

OUT OF THIS CONDITION OF AFFAIRS.---MOD-ERN CIVILIZATION HAS EVOLVED THE RED CROSS society,—its members protected by treaty among all nations,—whose duty it is to follow in the wake of contending armies.—and to undo.—in so far as may be possible.—the devastating work of war.—Many of our boys are enlisted under that banner:—and while their labors are little heard of,—passing,—for the most part,—unheeded among the more conspicuous feats of the belligerents,—we should not forget that while some of our members are occupied in the work of destroying,—others are engaged in the task of building up,—and are constantly found amid the horrors of war. —bending over the couch of the afflicted, smoothing with gentle hand the pillow of wasting disease.—lifting the helpless head of the languid and suffering,—allaying the burning thirst of desiccating fever,—banishing the grim specters which affright the distempered imagination,—diffusing a fragrant coolness about the bed of dreaded pestilence.—and encouraging with well-founded hopes of a glory beyond the grave—those whom heaven forbids them to restore in renovated health to a grateful country.—M. T. Dooling.

GETTYSBURG

Great battles,—like great mountains,—demand distance and perspective.—Travelers never understand the Alps until they look back from Italy.—Now that fifty years have passed since the battle of Gettysburg,—the veterans of the army of the Potomac have traveled far enough away to understand the place of their battle in the history of liberty.—Foreigners being judges,—Gettysburg marks the turning point in history.—The historian Mommsen was not an American,—and he thinks the Civil War was the greatest conflict in the annals of time.—Green was not an American,—but an Englishman, and he thinks Gettysburg the most momentous battle in history.—

The history of wars and battle is of two kinds,—narrative history—and philosophic history.—The time for the narrative historian has passed by,—and the time for the philosophic historian has fully come.—Thoughtful men distinguish between the occasion of the

war—and the cause of the conflict.—The occasion of the Revolution was a ship laden with tea,—sailing into Boston Harbor;—the cause was the determination of the Colonists to achieve self-government.—The occasion of the rebellion was slavery,—but the cause of the war was the attempt to overthrow a government conceived in liberty—and dedicated to the proposition that all men are free and equal.

The men who set the battle in array were Webster and Calhoun.—Webster said,—"The Union is one and inseparable,—and each State subordinate."—Calhoun answered, "The State is sovereign and supreme—and the National government secondary."—For thirty years the discussion raged in Congress between Webster and Calhoun and Hayne.—

Little by little the discussion was transferred from the Senate Chamber to the lecture platform—and to the pulpit.—Finally slavery became the subject of universal discussion at the fireside,—on the street-car and in the daily press.—Agitators went up and down—the land inspiring in people the love of liberty;—editors began to sow the land with the good seed of freedom and the love of Union.—The North was turned into a vast debating society.—At length the voices became loud and angry.

-Growing more bitter—the slavery men murdered Lovejoy in Alton, Ill.-Wendell Phillips became a voice for Liberty in Faneuil Hall.—Beecher sold the slave girl from Plymouth pulpit:—John Brown dropped a spark in the powder magazine at Harper's Ferry.— Then Beauregard fired on the flag at Fort Sumter.—In a moment the whole North was aflame—and the movement for the Union and liberty swept like a prairie fire across it.—In that hour the discussion between Webster and Calhoun was submitted to the arbitrament of war.—At Bull Run—Calhoun's argument was in the ascendency.—At Gettysburg Webster's plea that the Union was one and inseparable seemed the stronger.—At Appomattox the discussion was concluded.—Then Grant and Lee,—representing the North and the South, -wrote with a sword dipped in blood their approval of Webster's argument that the Union was one and inseparable—and that "a government conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are free and equal. shall never perish from the earth."—In retrospect,—therefore,—we see that the occasion of the war was slavery, but the cause of the war was the love of Union.—

Great as has been the influence of the battle

of Gettysburg,—it may be doubted whether in the long run the influence of Abraham Lincoln's speech will not prove an equally effective force upon democracy and liberty, and the destiny of the human race.—The libraries hold no story so sublime and pathetic as the story of Lincoln.—Be the reasons what they may,—when the Ruler of Nations wishes to secure a forward movement of society,—He has passed by the king's palace in favor of the poor man's house.—When god wished a father for the Bondmen, he went to a log cabin in Kentucky.—

The oration of Abraham Lincoln will live forever.—Wonderful in its simplicity and sunniness of style, it is wonderful also because of the number of mother ideas of liberty that it contains.—Edward Everett's oration,—three hours long,—was a bushel of diamonds carefully polished.—Abraham Lincoln's ten minute speech was a handful of seed corn—that has sown the world with the harvest of liberty.—Gettysburg,—therefore,—broke the power of Secession,—and freed the slaves. But the greatest thing about the battle of Gettysburg—is the fact that it made possible the speech of Abraham Lincoln—that has changed the history of liberty for all time to come.—

Now has come a time when we are no longer two sections, but one nation.—The last fire of Hatred has died out into cold ashes.—Blood has been red rain—going to the roots that feed the blossoms of the tree of liberty.—Now the whole nation is proud,—proud of the men of the gray and the men of the blue alike!—To-day the whole nation is turned into a vast whispering gallery,—and there is but one voice that speaks—the voice of liberty.—Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis.

The PATRIOTIC SABBATH

How fitting it seems that,—in the midst of the woe and confusion that disturb our world.
—in part as a result of the world war,—we should come to a patriotic Sabbath,—Memorial Day,—when we honor those who have died for our country.—It is a day of peculiar and tender pathos,—hallowed by sacred memories,—enriched by a glorious past,—and sanctified by the precious life-treasures of human service.—Born of the tragedy of battle,—it has grown to be a day honored by all who have regard for that loyalty that speaks most eloquently of the struggles for human freedom,—the further franchise of liberty,—and the rise of the com-

mon people.—The wounds of civil and international strife—can be healed by the comforting forces of *Time*,—and nothing so unites the two parts of this nation that yesterday were at war—as Memorial Day.—

And what may be said of this nation is equally true when reference is made to those nations that have been at war with each other.

—The unpleasant differences of yesterday—are best forgotten—when we keep alive Memorial Day with the feeling of love for humanity,—with the larger charity that knows that all peoples are marred by the foibles common to the human race,—and that most conflicts are honestly fought by both sides,—in pursuit of the attainment of ideals that may be a distinct moral entity—or merely a figment of the imagination.—

Memorial Day throughout the Northern states of this nation—was first observed out of respect to those who wore the blue in the struggle of '61.—For more than thirty years—the nation thought of Memorial Day as a day when the revered living and dead of the Civil war—should be honored,—and such a desire is prompted by the noblest impulses of our being.—As the years rolled by,—in the natural march of events,—another war broke out, and

a volunteer army from these *United States* went to the *front*,—preserving the *integrity* of our flag—which the national conscience decreed had an unquestioned *right* to be unfurled—as a rebuke of the last element of Oriental despotism on the Western *hemisphere*.

In that one hundred days' war—Cuba was given her independence,—Spain was compelled to relinquish her hold upon these possessions that offered a favorable place for her domination,—this nation commanded the respect of foreign powers, and augmented her prestige in the Pacific.—If this nation has rightly honored those who fought the Civil war,—fitting and merited tribute is due those who constituted that volunteer army in 1898.—

But in 1917 the flag of our fathers was once more lifted to the breeze,—when our armies and navies entered the world war,—and America cast her lot with the lovers of freedom,—and fought that most honest of wars—in behalf of liberty,—justice,—God,—and right-eousness.—

These are the heroes of the wars of the past.

These are the aged men and the youth whom we honor at this sacred season of the year.

Each year the number of graves we decorate increases,—each year the ranks of marching

veterans become thinner.—This is a natural law, — unchanged and unchangeable. — But there is another law—just as immutable,—and that is that the dead shall live.—By the grace of God—these heroes who laid their lives as sacrifices upon Liberty's altar are alive today—they live in bronze tablets and in marble monuments,—they live in story and song,—they live immortal in the ideals and traditions of this American Republic,—the richness of whose history is only transcended by the glory of its destiny.—

Far above the long lines that surged to and fro on the blood-stained fields of Gettysburg and Chattanooga,—of San Juan hill and El Caney,—of Flanders and Ypres,—there was the conflict of ideals,—the clash of political traditions,—the death-grapple of contending forces,—battling for the preservation of soulconvictions.—In His own good time God brought peace out of chaos,—and civilization was able to see that the end justified the means.—

He who dreams of days of conquest ahead for this nation—is not keeping faith with our fathers,—whose one desire was that of self-government, unmolested by tyrants,—unhampered by internal strife and dissention.—OUR

MISSION IN AMERICA IS TO PRESERVE INVIOLATE THAT SACRED AMBITION,—AND HAND DOWN THIS HERITAGE TO OUR CHILDREN,—DEDICATED TO THE BLESSINGS OF PEACE,—JUSTICE, AND RELIGION.—Anonymous.

PART II

ECONOMICS, CAPITAL and LABOR

The LABOR QUESTION

IT is strange that in a country—where there are hundreds of millions of acres of unsettled land,—in an age when mechanical inventions have tenfold increased the power of production,—daily bread—and comfortable homes—should not be easily within the reach of all.—Would you behold the saddest spectacle of this age?—See it in the strong man—seeking in vain for a place to earn his daily bread by daily toil.—Would you discover the danger that threatens social order?—Find it in the boys of our cities growing up in voluntary or enforced idleness,—to graduate into pensioners or outlaws.—

Whoever will look open-eyed into the future—will see that the "Labor question";—the question of directing the rising generation into channels of useful employment;—the question of the equitable distribution of the burdens and rewards of labor,—so that the drones shall not live upon the workers,—and honest industry may be certain of its reward;—the

question of making labor in fact,—what we call it in speech, honorable,—not only honorable,—but honored,—is the social problem,—far more important than political questions,—to which our age should address itself.—IT must be Intelligently solved,—or like the blind Samson—it will bring the temple down upon our Heads.—Anonymous.

WORK

Work for its own sake were well worth while.—It saves the earth from the palsy of inaction,—spares the waters the doom of stagnation,—keeps the weeds down and the flowers in bloom.—Surely it were right to pray for talent to make some gift to human knowledge or to human treasure—to write a book.—to chisel a statue.—to invent a machine.—to isolate a culture—which of itself and apart from our name—would mark a step in the history of human development.—But that is only an item in life,—a fraction of labour.—To only one end does every action tell from dawn to dark and from dark to dawn again.—Upon only one clock are all the seconds of all the hours ticked off.—Me!—Work is for the worker.—The effects of the lie may perhaps be warded off,—

save from the liar himself.—Generosity may sometimes go awry,—but he who gave,—though he may know regret,—is richer for his giving.—TO HAVE DARED,—AND TO HAVE MASTERED,—OR EVEN TO HAVE FAILED,—THIS IS GROWTH.

But the things must be done.—Beds must be made,—floors swept,—meals planned and prepared,—garments cut and sewed,—and all the round of petty tasks that go unmarked when done,—but, left undone, condemn as slow or slovenly the keeper of the house—these all must be performed between the rising and the setting suns.—It is most women's duty:—it is some women's joy;—it is every woman's temptation.—Some are irked by the insignificance of all they do,—and never do anything well for thinking of its littleness;—some are so "careful and troubled"—by the manyness of things falling to their hand—that they never see how trivial those many things may be.—Few there are who background all with that which cannot be taken away,—who choose some good part every day to illuminate the dull gray monotony. -who insist that night shall never overtake them till some labour of the spirit has justified repose.—Rev. Robert Freeman.

The PROBLEM of LIVING

The great problem of to-day is the problem of living.—Wars have been waged for dominion over territory. Nations have fought for commercial supremacy.—Now this country is at peace—but the spirit of unrest persists and grows.—

Politicians and orators mumble over the League of Nations and grow bitter over political questions—while the individual writhes under unequal distribution and extortion over the very necessaries of life.—Human existence is the vital question of the hour and until that question is adequately met and solved—the menace of a mighty social upheaval will continue to threaten our social and national life.—

It is an idle and useless performance for the speaker at a banker's banquet—to talk about the iniquities of labor.—It is an idle and useless performance for the labor agitator to talk to a crowd of workingmen about the wrongs inflicted by capital.—

What the assembled bankers or the assembled laborers need is some straight-from-the-shoulder—forceful talk about their own short-comings.—Decent men should make it unpopular for others, whether laborers or capitalists.—to prey upon their fellowmen.—Legislation

will not do the trick.—Laws will not make men better.—Honesty,—fair dealing and consideration for others must come from the heart.

We are living—not under an aristocracy of intelligence or of *culture*,—but under an aristocracy of *wealth*,—of wealth that flaunts itself brazenly and vulgarly before the public.—WHEN PUBLIC SENTIMENT IS AROUSED TO A SENSE OF THE REAL VALUES IN LIFE,—AND NOT UNTIL THEN,—MAY WE HOPE FOR THE BETTERMENT OF MANKIND.—Bruce Duncan.

The PURSUIT of HAPPINESS

The longer the liberated being lives—the less is his particular concern as to the death of the old year—and the birth of the new,—for in his mental calendar a new year begins with the sunrise of each day.—He has no need to make resolutions;—he has a fixed orientation and is already resolved.—Like William Watson's sovereign poet,—"he sits above the clang and dust of time."—And unlike the head-long mob—which so tremendously emphasizes time,—he takes little account of it.—The day,—which is all too short for us,—is quite long enough for him;—so he never is in a hurry.—And he does more real and worthy work in a

week—than the creature of hasty and noisy rattle and bluster could possibly accomplish in a year.—

Perhaps the great average of us,—with our self-imposed limitations,—can hardly hope to gain the high ground of the liberated,—catholic man;—but there are worthy things that we can do in this new year of grace 1920,—and one of them is to increase,—if by only a tithe,—the sum of human happiness.—

"Happy New Year!"—we wish each other on the first day of January.—How would it be if we made the same wish on the second,—the third—and every day of the month and of the year?—We might not voice it,—but, what is better,—we might live it and express it in our warm,—sympathetic and kindly gaze into the eyes of a friend.—

At the risk of being accused of pragmatism,—let me say that it is not only your duty to make others happy,—but it is also your duty to make yourself happy.—Your chances of becoming a useful citizen, if you are not already one,—are certainly increased by a felicitous state of mind.

One might twist the old copybook maxim, "Be good and you will be happy,"—to—"Be happy and you will be good."—Yes, and

healthy, too;—for physicians are agreed that a condition of cheerfulness reacts favorably upon all the bodily functions.—

"Life,—liberty—and the pursuit of happiness."—These are the "inalienable rights"—so stoutly contended for by our forefathers in a certain time-yellowed document of little import in this ragtime age,—though, after all,—happiness is fair game for human pursuit and most of us think we are pursuing it.—Always—as we step from stage to stage of our earthly career—we talk of bettering ourselves,—though the betterment may be merely monetary and the step thus taken only a backward one.—

If money meant happiness—then the multimillionaire would be the most blessed of men, —but all the poets—and every great philosopher from Confucius to Carlyle have denied that the pursuit of wealth is in any degree akin to the pursuit of happiness;—and on his deathbed,—if not before,—the average millionaire accepts their dicta.—

Always it has seemed to me that the most joyous people—those that may be really and truly listed among the happy—though they may enjoy a competence, are rarely possessed of great riches.—No; the hell of not making money is not a place of blazing torment to everybody.—

Never have I met a true member of the intelligencia who worried very much about wealth or who was not ready to regard with pity the ravening rush for it by those who take Mammon,—"the least erected spirit" of Milton,—and set him upon a pedestal.

The mistake most of us make is that we think we are pursuing happiness when we are merely pursuing pleasure.—The American youth or maiden who is always bent upon having a "good time" falls into the same error.—For a perpetual round of "good times" would inevitably result in unhappiness,—not only because of the reaction from excess,—but because of the unfulfilled duties it would involve.—

Happiness is more positive and permanent, more serene and rational than pleasure.—
There is vicious pleasure,—but never vicious happiness.—Pleasure is a cheap,—transient affair and may be attained by material acquisition;—but it is a mistake to believe that happiness can arise from the mere possession of something.—It can rarely be gained save by unselfish service.—"There is no happiness,"—Drummond says,—"in Having or in Getting,—but only in Giving."—Bailey Millard.

ERADICATION of POVERTY

A professor of economics predicted that "a day will come when poverty will be as obsolete as slavery."—

He bases his belief on his historical studies and his personal investigation of charitable methods in vogue today,—and is convinced that the effort now being made to get at the causes of poverty—are in the right direction, and that they will lead to a solution of the whole problem.—

If he had defined the word poverty with exactness—it might be possible to assent to his assumption that it can be eradicated.—If he limits its meaning to actual want and suffering he will find plenty to agree with him that the world is steadily marching in the direction he indicates.—

But there is no probability of an early agreement as to what constitutes poverty.—Compared with the sufferings and privations endured by people a few centuries ago,—when starvation often stared the provident in the face,—and when the well-to-do enjoyed fewer comforts than the inmate of a modern almshouse,—it may be said that the condition no longer exists.—

As a matter of fact—the word poverty no

longer describes a condition of absolute want and suffering.—Persons who find it necessary to struggle to get along in the world are regarded as poor and are often the unconscious objects of a sympathy which they do not seek or desire.—

Few people reflect that modern progress has completely changed the mental attitude of man toward poverty.—A very few centuries ago it was esteemed an honor to be poor,—and the easiest path to heaven was that traveled by the beggar.—Today it is accounted by many a disgrace to receive alms,—and the efforts of the charitably disposed are frustrated by the disposition to conceal real want when it exists.—

That this latter can be and is systematically relieved when discovered is undeniable.—That there will always be concealments while the sentiment against receiving alms endures is certain.—Whether it is desirable that the sentiment should be supplanted by a perfect willingness to make known the existence of needs and by a readiness to receive aid is a moot question.—

In pagan Rome the state practically recognized the right of the people to exist and to enjoy themselves.—So far as practicable food

and amusement were provided for the masses,—and the attempt was successfully made to remove the feeling of obligation.—Historians have united in asserting that this practice was one of the principal sources of the decadence of the Romans,—and they have been unsparing in their criticism of a system which they assume resulted in the degradation of the people.—

Whether "bread and the circus" had the effect assumed—it is not necessary to discuss here,—but it may be asserted with confidence that by no other method can the suffering due to poverty be averted.—The plans of collectivists can never accomplish that result,—because they strike at the only possible mode of making the world sufficiently productive to meet the needs of a growing population.—They all propose to eliminate the stimulus to exertion supplied by the love of gain,—and whenever this is done disaster results.—

THERE IS NO INSTANCE ON RECORD OF A SOCIETY FLOURISHING UNDER A SYSTEM IN WHICH THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONAL GAIN HAVE BEEN HAMPERED.—There are,—however,—many cases recorded of attempts to equalize conditions which have had as their outcome general suffering and degrading poverty.—

It is conceivable that modern productive ability may be developed to such an extent that enough will be produced to provide for the wants of everybody.—But that result cannot be attained by placing restrictions on the incentive to gain.—Without that stimulus there would be a diminution of productive energy,—and a condition resembling that of the Middle Ages,—when population was stationary and poverty the common lot,—would be inevitable.—

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The tremendous stimulus of love of gain has enormously developed the inventive faculty and has released tremendous stores of human energy which without that incentive would have lain dormant.—If there is no unreasonable interference with the acquisitive instinct—which strengthens with hope of reward,—we may hope to see the past marvels of productivity surpassed.—If they are,—experience tells us that human conditions will be further ameliorated,—and if "poverty" cannot be wholly eradicated—we shall at least be able to take away the most of its sting.—

By this method only can the desired result be achieved.—A successful effort to destroy the incentive which is responsible for the enormous productivity of modern times—would cause history to repeat itself by bringing about the common misery and discomfort which the world must experience when those who inhabit it do not exert themselves to the utmost.—John P. Young.

NO BACKWARD STEP

It is unwise to mix altruism and economics. —but it is the extreme of folly to elevate to the first place that which in the very nature of things—cannot be successfully practiced—unless a condition is *created* which permits that which otherwise would be impossible.—No civilization of which we have any positive knowledge came into existence through the practice of altruism.—All of those experiments recorded in history as efforts for the betterment of human conditions were made after society through prosperity—attained to a consciousness of the desirability of making everybody happy.—Such a desire could hardly exist in a community in which misery and want were general.—

The North American Indian could not have been conscious of his wretched condition—before the country over which he roamed was invaded by the white man.—He had always

been familiar with privation and was inured to it,—and had no conception of another state.— It is probable that he might have inhabited the land for many thousands of years without attaining to a knowledge of any mode of life superior to that lived by him before the discovery of the region which afforded him such scant subsistence that his numbers probably remained stationary during a long period.— He did not improve much while maintained in a state of dependence by our Government,—but since he has been thrown on his own resources he has exhibited signs of progress which indicate the possession of capacity—and suggest that if he had succeeded in escaping his tribal limitations he might have emerged from savagery long before the occupation of the land by Europeans.—

There are now settlements of Indians—in which the individualistic principle is allowed full play,—and their members generally are living much more comfortably than when their tribal usages were maintained,—although there may be some of their number who are steeped in poverty.—It would be difficult,—however,—to prove that the misery of the latter is in any wise due to the improved condition of the more prosperous,—or that the provident

and comfortable enjoyed their superior condition at the expense of those who failed.—A comparison of the conditions existing before and after the resort to individualism would undoubtedly show that its effects were to lift some out of the wretched state in which they were plunged,—and that the unsuccessful—miserable ones were no worse off than when the tribal relations were maintained.—

There is no disposition to compare the mode of life of a people—as low in the scale of civilization as the North American Indian with that which might be adopted by a highly developed race resolved upon abandoning the methods by which its development was attained.—The only purpose in citing Indian backwardness, and the change made by a resort to individualism,—is to emphasize the fact;—which many refuse to comprehend,—that the success of a portion of society is not responsible for the failure of the unsuccessful,—and that some must be more successful than others to lift society out of the depths of a common misery.—

IT CANNOT BE REPEATED TOO OFTEN THAT SOME INCENTIVE IS NECESSARY TO MAKE THE CAPABLE EXERT THEMSELVES FOR THE GENERAL GOOD.—The world at different times has attempted to find a better inducement than that

of personal gain to accomplish this end,—but always without success.—History is filled with examples of retrogression due to the mistaken idea that the elimination of wealth inequalities would improve human conditions.—The invariable result of such experiments has been the diminution of production,—a condition which in one noteworthy case had to be met during centuries by teaching that the most admirable of men were professional beggars,—and that the ones most to be envied were those who practiced self denial in this world because they would be rewarded in the next.—

If Marx and other socialists were ready to assent to the belief that self-denial and misery here below are desirable because they pave the way to a better life—they would be consistent in demanding the removal of inequalities,—but they scout such a suggestion—and insist that their aim is the physical betterment of man,—which makes their proposition a purely economic one.—All their arguments must be subjected to the test embodied in one question:—Would their proposed change result in increased production?—As it is not conceivable that it would,—and on the other hand it is reasonably certain that the demand for a distribution of wealth—which would bring about an

equalization of conditions would impair productivity by consuming the means of production, it is not probable that a sane society will consent to take the backward step.—John P. Young.

The FUNCTION of CAPITAL

The defect in the reasoning of Marx and his followers,—and for that matter of the classical economists,—consists in elevating to the first place in their consideration of the subject of the welfare of society,—the question of distribution.—It is a clear case of putting the cart before the horse,—and has resulted in concentrating attention on the distribution of things—rather than upon the best mode of stimulating the production of things to be distributed.—

Had the Socialists who advocated the economic interpretation of history,—instead of searching out the evils which they attributed to inequitable distribution of wealth,—devoted themselves to the study of the causes why so few things were produced during the long period between the decline of the industrial energy of the Romans—and the dawn of modern Humanism—they could not have escaped

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the conclusion that the major part of the privation of the Middle Ages was due,—not to unfairness of distribution,—but to the scarcity of things distributable.—

That this scarcity existed during the greater part of a thousand years we have positive historical testimony.—but more convincing than any direct statement is the intrinsic evidence contained in the fact that during this long neriod population was practically at a standstill.—It is puerile to assign this arrestment to any other cause than the failure to produce.— The charge that it was due to superstition, barbarian invasions.—Pestilences or unavoidable misfortunes will not bear analysis,—for there is abundant proof that they had all operated in a larger degree at an earlier period without hindering progress,—and that they were powerless to retard advancement after the Renaissance.—

The stagnation of the Middle Ages is easily comprehended by the student who will take the trouble to note that the greatest stimulant to production,—namely, the desire for gain,—was almost wholly extinguished during the mediaeval period;—and,—curiously enough,—its extinction was brought about through the application of a remedy for fancied economic

evils, which Marx's followers imagine was first suggested by that agitator.—

It was not barbarian invasions or superstition that brought on the troubles of the Middle 'Ages.—It was the almost complete destruction of the incentive to produce.—In other words, —religious teachers and legislators alike strove unceasingly to destroy or prevent the accumulation of capital.—Usury in any form was made odious and was ultimately forbidden by the church.—

Under such conditions it would have been extraordinary if enterprise of the sort exhibited after the removal of the incubus had been displayed.—In the very nature of things the repression of capacity and energy resulted.—The interdiction of usury made inevitable the hand to mouth method of life the chief characteristic of the mediaeval period.—The incentive to accumulate being removed commerce dwindled, and finally the interchange of commodities became so localized that it was little better than primitive barter.—Opulent cities shrank to the proportions of villages,—and the declining population sought refuge for their self-created evils by accepting serfdom.—

During this period of economic darkness equitable distribution was ideal.—The beggar

could knock at the convent gate and virtually demand food and shelter,—and he received what he asked for while it lasted.—But the quantities to be distributed were small and could only be made to go around by nature accommodating itself to the condition which the folly of man created.—There was little preaching about race suicide in those days,—but after a thousand years or so of assault on the vice of usury the Western world contained no more people than at the beginning of the period.—

It would be a mistake to suppose that men ceased their efforts to produce during this benighted period.—There is plenty of evidence to the contrary which permits us to infer that those who had the greatest abhorrence of usury,—earnestly strove themselves, and tried to induce others, to make the soil yield its fruits.—But the zeal of the reformer was powerless to accomplish that which the desire for gain achieves.—The results of the most strenuous efforts of the producers of the Middle Ages—were insignificant by comparison with those of our own day,—and the lot of the most favored mediaeval was less comfortable than that of the modern day laborer.—

THE DAWN OF THE NEW ERA OF ADVANCE-

MENT DATES FROM THE ABANDONMENT OF THE WAR ON CAPITAL.—When usury instead of being condemned was sanctioned by law the new birth occurred.—Under the stimulus of the desire for gain men incessantly work to obtain more than they need.—If the excess were in some way absorbed by them or wasted—this might be fairly regarded as an evil,—but the success of capitalism depends upon producing not for its owner only, but for the society at large.—John P. Young.

CAPITALISM Is Not PHILANTHROPIC

When we examine the result of the exertions of capitalists,—we promptly discover that the general society is the chief beneficiary,—and not the individual who puts forth energy or gives the world the benefit of his ingenuity. The capitalist,—however,—is not to be regarded as a philanthropist on that account.—and does not often consider himself in that light.—It is only when he ceases to make the highest beneficial use of his capital that he is looked upon or considers himself as a benefactor.—When he dissipates his capital by distributing it among the needy,—his benevolence

is praised;—when he keeps it employed in the work of production,—thus increasing the opportunities of the masses to consume,—he is denounced as greedy,—and held up to scorn as a man standing in the way of others getting their just share of satisfaction units.—

It is not probable that any considerable number of capitalists consciously work toward the end they undoubtedly achieve of augmenting the satisfaction units of the general society.—
There may be some who, to placate their minds and to rid themselves of the uneasy feeling created by criticism,—attempt to discover an altruistic motive for their continued unnecessary exertion,—but the major part,—perhaps it would be nearer the truth to say nearly all,—of those who accumulate are actuated by selfish motives,—whose only modification is the desire to provide for kin or immediate dependents.—

It cannot be said that capitalists are like bees,—which instinctively store honey,—for they do not respond to a blind impulse,—except in abnormal cases.—Occasionally a genuine instance is presented of a man accumulating for the mere sake of accumulation,—but such abnormalities as the true miser,—on investigation,—will be found to be victims of the dread of the consequences of poverty.—The

worship of the gold which they hoard is homage to a deity they think will preserve them from want.—

The capitalist has a well-defined motive in accumulating beyond a certain point.—Primarily—he is impelled by knowledge of the fact that unless he makes provision for the future, he will become a dependent,—and he seeks to avert that fate by exercising his ingenuity and putting forth his energy.—Thus far his prescience does not accomplish more for society at large than the instinctive action of the bee in storing up honey—does for the inmates of the hive of which it is a member;—not until impelled by that remarkable product of a true democracy—the desire for distinction,—does the human accumulator begin to work for his fellow man.—

A colony of bees is a natural monarchy;—
the instinct of the subjects impels them to
work for the maintenance of the kingdom of
the hive.—They accept the queen imposed
upon them,—and, incidentally,—they put up
with the drones.—The theory of divine right
finds a remarkable exemplification in the economy of the bees.—Their monarch is provided
for them, and the only apparent business of
the subject bees is to work, and eat and die.—

The community established by them is very interesting,—but not admirable enough to be imitated by man,—although constantly held up by socialists as a model.—

The gainful impulse which is at the bottom of capitalism, always has a tendency toward the democratization of society.—When it asserts itself in a contrary fashion,—it is impelled to do so by the desire for protection.—In countries where no restraint is placed on the accumulative disposition,—despotism is impossible,—for strong men constantly come to the top and assert themselves.—Successful accumulation creates an aristocracy which throws down the barriers of heredity.—

During the long period in which the divine right of kings was recognized,—and heredity was made a fetish,—the accumulative disposition was dormant.—As soon as the desire for gain asserted itself,—the distinctions of blood became weakened,—and in our own days we see kings willing to take the tonic which the capitalist is able to administer,—and which,—to all appearances,—is regarded as necessary to the preservation of royalty as "blood and iron."—

"Plutocracy" ceases to be an object of dread when no restraints are placed on the accumula-

tive tendency.—The direct result of the struggle to acquire wealth in countries of great resources is to create so many men of means—that the establishment of an oligarchy—of the rich would be impossible.—It is owing to this fact that men,—or the families of men of great riches,—find the United States unattractive—and betake themselves to Europe, where their money can purchase a distinction which wealth cannot buy in nations where honors are not inheritable.—

WEALTH,—INSTEAD OF BEING A CREATOR OF CLASS DISTINCTIONS,—IS THE GREATEST LEVEL-ING AGENCY IN CIVILIZED COUNTRIES.—It can buy titles and exercises the privilege with a frequency which has cheapened them.—The rapid creation and diffusion of wealth has done more to put all men on the same political plane than any other agency.—Its owners, in order to protect their property and persons. -have been compelled to take the whole society into partnership,—thus practically wiping out all honorific distinctions.—If the opportunities to acquire great wealth are restricted.—the inevitable result will be a recrudescence to a caste system.—It would easily be brought about by those who had climbed to the top—pushing down the ladder by which they had ascended.—John P. Young.

The RIGOR of the GAME

What a story Captain John Gilmour—the British flier,—could tell of hair-breadth 'scapes over the German flood and field!—Gilmour's was one of the greatest tests of aviation endurance during the great war.—He flew almost continually for nine months over the French and British fronts—and is officially credited with downing thirty-four enemy planes,—five of these being sent crashing to earth within one hour.—

Think of the endurance of such a man?—And yet,—as was seen during his recent visit to San Francisco,—he is not endowed with remarkable physique.—Like any other man who has passed through long periods of nervous and mental strain,—he will tell you that it is not enthusiasm and energy,—but staying power that counts.—Many of us have that staying power but do not realize it.—We are too prone to take into account what we consider our limitations.—

"I can do about so much,"—you will hear a man or woman say,—"and then I have to give myself a holiday."—

Now most of these limitations are self-imposed.—In many cases they could be indefinitely extended—if we but lost sight of them for a while and maintained our interest in our work,—and were not occasionally letting our minds run upon that holiday or those few hours at golf—or tennis—or motoring. Golf, tennis and motoring are all good in their way,—but it is labor—real physical and mental labor—that keeps a man going.

Believe in the rest cure if you will,—but a greater cure is the work cure.—To rest is to rust.—It results in imperfect metabolism.— Tissue cannot be renewed without first being partly broken down.—The indolent mind becomes weak and so does the indolent muscle. How could such men as Alexander Graham Bell.—Thomas A. Edison and Luther Burbank,—all well over seventy,—keep up their wonderful work without that exercise of their powers which makes them fit for their daily tasks?—When you hear a man say,—"As soon as I reach fifty I'm going to retire;"—that is your cue for remarking,—"When you reach fifty you are going to do no such thing.—You will have no thought of it.—If by any chance vou should get out of harness—vou will long to get back into it and probably will." —

I knew a bond broker who retired at sixty.— He was in good health,—but he had set that age as his *limit*.—He retired and died in three years—rusted out.—

Men of today know these things,—or ought to know them.—That is one reason for that modern longevity which you read about.—People are more willing to remain in harness than formerly.—For the race it is a tremendously hopeful sign.—

Then,—too,—we are hearing less about that bugaboo of overwork.—In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred—it is not overwork that kills, —but over-indulgence in some habit that tends to a morbid or abnormal state.—But even here are paradoxes.—I know a man of sixty-eight who is sound of body—who, all his mature life, has been a great worker,—a great smoker, an eminent judge of good liquor-and who finds it hard to go to bed,—yet who can turn out more work than many a younger person.— This man had a steady-going brother without a vice—a sturdy fellow,—capable of good work,—who always went to bed early,—never smoked—or drank,—ate right and lived right. -Yet this brother retired at fifty and died.-He rusted out.—There is no moral in this story.—It is rather immoral, but it is true.—

WHAT KEEPS HARD-WORKING MEN GOING MOST OF ALL IS "THE RIGOR OF THE GAME."—

This phrase, used in *this* sense, is an adaptation from Charles *Lamb*,—who used it in his essay on *whist*.—But what a tremendous significance it has when applied to human *labor!*—

The rigor of the game!—The tensity of interest,—the concentration, the ardent applicacation,—the immersion in the business at hand—how much more alive is one who feels these things than he who knows them not!—Is anything more inspiring?—In the consideration of life and the conditions of survival,—is there anything that should be more seriously taken into account?—True, there are those of indolent nature who have reached ripe old age,—but what kind of lives have they enjoyed?—Have they ever really lived?—

As for sustaining force—the kind that was needed by Captain John Gilmour, the aviator, in making that wonderful record of nine months' fighting above the battlefield,—aside from all knowledge, skill and tact, what was there that could have aided his dauntless spirit and kept him to his terrible task, unconscious of peril,—like the rigor of the game?—Bailey Millard.

The SPIRIT that QUICKENETH

How we are fooled by phrases!—Take those dear old catch-words,—"second wind."—A

number of foot-racers will be running around a track.—One of them will lag behind for a while,—falter along, then suddenly increase his speed,—spurt ahead,—break the tape ten yards to the good—and win the cup.—

What did "second wind" mean in such a case?—Was it a mere matter of revived respiration?—No.—It meant that the runner plucked up spirit,—made a new determination to win,—and, full of this determination,—animated his flagging feet—and sent them flying forward to such good purpose—that he left all his competitors behind.—Given as strong a pair of legs,—each of the others,—with the same spirit,—could have made a better record,—and he,—in turn, might have been out-distanced.

When Fanny Workman climbed to the summit of Nun Kun,—in the Himalaya range, an altitude of 23,300 feet,—the highest record for women and almost the highest for men,—what was it that best equipped her for the task?—Not physique—for she was but a frail woman;—not a superior outfit,—for she carried but the barest of necessities;—not favorable weather,—for she fought her way up through a heavy storm.—It was a heart full of that spirit which wins against all obstacles.—

What made Annie S. Peck,—after two former unsuccessful efforts,—in one of which she nearly lost her life,—climb to the top of precipitous Huarascan in Peru and establish yet another record for women—21,812 feet—higher than any man ever had climbed on this hemisphere?—That dauntless spirit,—that grim determination to play the game,—which conquers all things.—

What enabled Florence Nightingale,—the forerunner of the noble Red Cross workers, to work day and night in unhealthy hospitals in the Crimea,—standing on her feet at times for twenty hours at a stretch,—incessantly laboring among frightful scenes and amid awful mortality?—Why was she able to give to many a soldier life and strength—while she expended her own physical and mental forces that he might go forth again to join his comrades?—
Spirit—nothing but spirit.

Another foolish phrase,—"The Lord is on the side of the army with the heaviest guns,"—has been rendered meaningless many a time in actual warfare.—It was so when Cromwell triumphed at Preston battle,—when he had but 8,000 men against an army of 21,000, as well equipped as any of the field forces of those times.—

Washington, with raw recruits,—contending against disciplined and overwhelming forces,—turned the tide of battle after battle against the enemy.—The spirit,—not the skill and numbers of the American troops was such that from the retreat at Lexington to the surrender at Yorktown,—in 24 engagements,—the American losses in the field were but 8,000,—while those of the British were not less than 25,000.—

The enemies of Napoleon,—in all the battles they waged against him,—had not merely to deal with troops and cannon,—but with the indomitable spirit of a commander-in-chief ready to fight on any terms and at all times—a man who slept so little that he wore out his aides who, with less fervor, required more rest.—

Did you ever hear Patti sing "Il Bacio"?—Or Caruso voice the tragic wail of Canio in "I Pagliacci"?—Then you heard,—not mere words or notes,—you heard the spirit of divine art.—If music were pure technique, the playing of Paderewski or Heifetz would make no greater appeal than the phonograph.—And do you fancy that anyone can lead a Sousa march but Sousa?—

When you look at a Turner landscape—can

you not always see Turner and the spirit that moved him in his wonderful work?—It is not merely,—as sung by Realf,—that

"Back of the canvas that throbs the painter is hinted and hidden."—

He is revealed and the soul of him.—But we can find no fault with the line in the same poem,—

"Space is as nothing to *spirit*, the deed is outdone by the *doing*."—

For this is so;—we see the undying soul of it shining through it all.—

THE SOUL OF THE SCULPTOR IS SEEN IN HIS MASTERPIECE,—ELSE IT IS NOT A MASTERPIECE, AND THE SOUL OF THE POET IS VOICED BY HIS VERSE, ELSE IT IS NOT POETRY.—

Shelley saw in his "Skylark" not a bird, but a spirit.—

"Hail to thee, blithe spirit!— Bird thou never wert."—

When Beckford wrote his wonderful "Vathek"—he finished the long romance at a sitting, writing as he says, "three days and two nights.—I never took off my clothes the whole time."—Literature does not demand such heroism,—and it was not to fill a publisher's order

that he worked in this terrible way.—It was the spirit that carried him forward.—And it was this same spirit that actuated Balzac,—Stevenson—and other writers who denied the claims of the body in their hard toil and set them at naught.—

So,—too,—in such nerve-trying tests of endurance as those of *Peary*,—*Abruzzi* and *Stefansson*.—So, too, with our own John *Muir*—in his exploration of the dangerous *glaciers*.—So, too, in many an enterprise where men have smiled grimly at privation and *danger*—and pressed on to the goal of their *dreams*.—

"It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing."—Bailey Millard.

PRESSURE of POPULATION

Gibbon, in one of those side remarks which he meant should be *illuminating*,—but which, owing to the absence of exact information only tend to *confuse*,—has told us:—"It has been calculated by the ablest *politicians*—that no state, without being soon *exhausted*, can maintain above the hundredth part of its members in arms and *idleness*." The term idleness is very *vague*,—not to say *meaningless*,—used in this *connection*.—The historian could not

have meant to imply that ninety-nine out of every hundred of the population must work at some productive employment—in order to maintain existence.—That would be absurd,—for even in the closing quarter of the eighteenth century,—near the time when Malthus was working out his dismal theory of the inevitableness of population pressing on the limit of subsistence,—things were not so bad but what a large part of the inhabitants of every civilized country could take their ease while the rest occupied themselves in useful occupations.—

What Gibbon probably meant,—although he did not so state.—was that in his time the maintenance of a standing army and the support of an office-holding class exceeding the proportions he mentioned—would prove destructive to the prosperity of a nation. Perhaps the politicians to whom he alludes—included in their estimate the leisure class who were supported by the toil of others.—If they embraced these three bodies of the social organization in their calculation.—we shall still have reason to suspect the accuracy of the estimate,—unless we conclude,—as we reasonably may,—THAT CONDITIONS HAVE VASTLY IM-PROVED SINCE THE AUTHOR OF THE "DECLINE AND FALL" WROTE, --- AND THAT THE WORLD

NOW GETS ALONG MUCH MORE COMFORTABLY THAN IT DID IN THE LAST HALF OF THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY.—

Taking France as an illustration,—we find that with a population of 40,000,000 in round figures she was able to support a standing army of 558,900 and a naval force of 50,000 in 1906.—In the same year she had a list of aided paupers numbering 1.178.327.—Perhaps all of these were not absolutely dependent,—but it is tolerably certain that when the ineffectives and unfortunates are all counted the number will not be found much less than that indicated. —And when to these two categories are added that part of the civil list which adorns office without particularly serving the people.—and the leisure class, we may easily discover that the French state now supports in idleness six or eight times as many as the politicians of Gibbon's day thought could be maintained.—

It concerns the present generation to know why modern states are able to accomplish with ease that which the politicians of the eighteenth century thought impossible.—It is certainly something of an achievement to have dissipated the serious fears which the theories and speculations of Malthus aroused.—While every one capable of working out an ordinary

arithmetical problem is quite ready to accede to the proposition that population under certain conditions might outgrow the means of subsistence,—the possibilities outlined by Malthus,—while they still form the subject of discussion,—no longer excite alarm.—The fears which were entertained have vanished and in their place has grown up an optimism which disregards biological warnings and placidly assumes that in some way or other the ingenuity of man will be equal to the task of providing for the maintenance of a constantly expanding number of inhabitants.— John P. Young.

PART III RELIGION and ETHICS

A LARGER GOSPEL

STRANGE tales come to me from the great World struggle.—I hear of a Jewish chaplain holding up the cross before a dying Christian soldier.—I hear of a Protestant minister—receiving the confession of a Catholic—about to enter battle.—I hear of an Indian priest—comforting the last moments of a western warrior.—

What these things portend I know not.—Perhaps from the pit and furnace of death—Humanity may emerge with a larger gospel.—Perhaps from the pangs of tears and bitterness—shall be born a greater love.—Perhaps beyond the Valley of Desolation—the wearied eyes of Humanity may see the mountain peaks—touched with the light of a gentler dawn—and out of the storm which now rages about mankind,—the voice of God may give forth a new word—which all men may hear and understand in common.—Who shall say?—Milton Goldsmith.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

Before there can be a common religion. even though it be based on the highest ethical grounds.—there must be that harmonious recognition of each person's right to his own religious belief through which alone unity can be wrought out of diversity.—Religious liberty,—in the fullest sense,—must therefore be our first goal on the road to any universal religion on this earth.—FORTUNATELY,—IN THIS COUNTRY, -THE FOUNDERS AND FRIENDS OF REPUBLIC—HAVE FROM THE PROCLAIMED AND EXPOUNDED THE DOCTRINE OF RELIGIOUS LIBERTY.

Little that is new can be said about Washington.—We all know that he embodied that rarest of combinations,—a union of goodness with greatness. A characteristic of Washington, which is perhaps less known than his other traits,—was his devotion to religious liberty.

—Once—before the Revolution,—when directing the manager of his plantations to obtain a servant,—he wrote that the man selected must be competent and reliable,—but that it did not matter what his religious belief was,—whether he were Christian,—Jew,—Mohammedan or Pagan.—On another occasion—he pointed out that it would be absurd for those

who were fighting for liberty—to interfere with liberty of conscience.—Especially notable in this direction were his letters to the Jewish and the Catholic congregations—in answer to addresses of congratulation on his accession to the Presidency.—

Particularly touching in his letter to the historic Jewish congregation at Newport,—then of commercial prominence and promise,—was his reference to the Jew as having been forced to wander over the earth,—but as finding in this country,—an asylum and a refuge,—where in the words of the prophet—he could sit under his own vine and fig-tree,—and there should be none to make him afraid.—Nathan Newmark.

RELIGION and the NATION

The nineteenth century began with an enthusiasm for nature.—As a result of scientific investigation,—we have a new apprehension of the immanence of God.—Astronomers have swept the heavens with their telescopes,—only to find God.—Geologists have scanned the broken rocks,—only to find God.—Chemists have made careful experiment in laboratory,—only to find God.

The twentieth century begins with an enthusiasm for humanity,—just as if human nature were not a part of nature,—and the best part.—God witnesses to Himself in man.—I do not hold,—with many called Christian,—that man is the child of the devil.—On the contrary,—I believe that this is God's world,—and that it is good,—and that man is the child of God,—and that there is a divinity within, which answers to the divinity without, so that there is correspondence between God and man,—which is religion.—Emerson said,—years ago,—"The defect of our education and religion is,—that we have ignored the sacredness of man."

MY PLEA IS FOR A CHRISTIANITY THAT IN-CLUDES ALL THE FUNCTIONS OF NATIONAL LIFE,—AS WELL AS THE NARROWER ROUND OF PERSONAL DUTY.—For example,—we need to Christianize the money power.—Commerce cannot safely remain pagan forever.—We are a young nation.—England goes back a thousand years to Alfred.—France goes back more than a thousand years to Charlemagne.— China has an unbroken record of four thousand years—of existence;—and six thousand years have elapsed since the first Pharaoh ascended his throne in Egypt.—By the standard of years,—we are very young.—But by the standard of achievement and progress—we are as old as the oldest, for we have,—under the hand of God,—wrought miracles in commerce and manufacture,—in education and religion.—Shall we give the world a Christian civilization?—The Slavonic peoples say, "The Anglo-Saxons have done their best,—and their best is a commercial civilization."—It is not too late for us to lay the hand of consecration on business and commerce and manufactures,—and spiritualize them,—so that the secular may become sacred.

The religion of competition is giving way to the religion of amity and co-operation.—Surely, this is a prophecy of the future,—when, united in one spirit,—we march together under the banner of the Cross—for the glory of God and the uplifting of mankind.—Rev. Dr. Baker.

FUNERAL ORATION

"How is the strong staff broken,—and the beautiful rod."—A monarch of the forest—that towered in serene and unconscious majesty above its fellows—has fallen.—

A star of the first magnitude—that shone

with steady and unfailing light has set below the horizon.—

A strain of music—that thrilled our souls and ravished our hearts—has melted into a sweet and tender memory.—That eye of beauty—that burned with indignation or beamed with love—is lusterless,—those lips of eloquence are mute,—that bewitching voice of melody is hushed,—and God's blessed peace has smoothed away the sweat of agony from that imperial brow.—

We come,—his brethren and friends.—from all conditions of men,—to pay to our dead brother the tribute of our love and tears, from the high courts of justice,—Federal and state.—wherein he stood a worthy minister of the law;—from the hall of fraternity,—which to him was a sanctuary of duty and religion; from the temple of art,—at whose shrine he bowed a worshipful devotee;—from school and academy and university,—whose high purposes he proclaimed and in which he saw the state's safety and glory;—from the avenues of peace,—which he adorned,—and the ranks of war, in which he marched,—we come to discharge the last sad offices the living owe the dead.—

IN THE PRESENCE OF THE AWFUL MYSTERY

of Death—a mystery which faith Alone can solve—my lips would fain be silent.

But his brothers and mine,—men who knew him long and loved him well,—have assigned to me the mournful duty of voicing the great grief that oppresses us.—It is an hour when the heart finds solace in a few tender words,—in a "few broken sentences of veneration and love,"—rather than in elaborate or studied eulogy.—Grant me,—therefore,—I pray you,—your indulgence and your sympathy,—nor judge the illustrious dead by this unpremeditated and unworthy tribute.—

His great powers as an advocate—early placed have kept him in the first rank. He gave and received blows with manly courage,—but left all heat and passion in the forum.—As a jury lawyer he was superb.—He knew the human heart—all its hidden, secret recesses—and with master,—almost wizard, hand—played on all its strings. Of his pre-eminence as an orator you will all bear witness.—His fame is established.—It will survive in memory and in written words.—His style will serve as model for all who strive to utter pure,—high thoughts in rich and splendid language.—Poet,—thinker,—artist,—imaginative,—he gave symmetry and beauty to

his thoughts,—and always directed the mind upward to the "bright and shining pathway of the stars." God pity us—when we deny laurel to the brow of the living and lay garlands on the tomb of the unreplying dead.—In the world of thought,—he walked and lived.—His love for art—music,—painting,—sculpture—was genuine and sincere.—

His love for *literature*—heaven-born poetry and mighty *prose*—wherein the mirth and *joy*,—the tragedy and *toil*,—of the past move to gladness or provoke to *tears*—was a *passion*.—

His love for Nature—for all the wondrous works of God—the sublime and beautiful—sierra and sea,—flower and star—amounted to religious worship.—

His love for the *Union*,—the *nation*—its hallowed and victorious *flag*—was *unbounded*,—and in recounting his country's deeds of valor and *sacrifice*—her splendid achievements and multiform *blessings*—he rose to sublime heights of pure and enthralling *eloquence*.

"Out of the strong came forth sweetness."— For there never was a more gentle,—more loving, and more lovable man—than he who sleeps beneath these weeping flowers.

It is time this unworthy but loving tribute were ended.—The portals of the tomb swing open;—heavenly voices bid him welcome,—and the Almighty and Worshipful Master,—enthroned in majesty unspeakable, says: "Come unto Me, and be at rest!"—Anonymous.

CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS

Are we not changed, even since last Christ-mas?—Are not other people changed?—Partly that,—and partly that we have developed perception and see new things in others. There is nobody who could not be made interesting if put into a story.—And everybody has a story.—Some have a whole series of stories.—And yet what is the truth?—As you see him—or as I see him?—Which is the true man?—Or is it as he sees himself?—The greatest gift of God is the insight into others.—

If we were all ticketed in the world's shop window,—how many now figured at a dollar would sell for a cent,—and how many marked at next to nothing—might be worth their weight in gold?—If we only knew what was the truth.—

It is Christmas time.—Is it only a legend?— Or is it the God-sent truth?—Which ever it be, —it matters not.—If it were merely because the celebration of the Christmas birth,—once every year, calls millions of men and women to a halt,—and bids them lay down all weapons,—shake hands with each other,—be they enemies or friends,—forget all unkindness—and love each other,—if only for a moment,—it is a religion beyond all question or dispute.—It must be God-given.

I, for one,—do not believe that little moment of rest,—that brief softening of the heart,—passes away without some lasting effect.—We seem to face the truth,—the fact that there is a sentiment that is universal in human nature,—however, it may be apparently obliterated for a time by passion,—misconception,—misunderstanding, or what you will;—smothered by a hundred cares or worries;—a sentiment of fellow feeling,—of brotherly love.—

You see,—we rarely try to understand one another.—We are so sure of our own judgments—that we decide everything offhand.—We take things at their face value,—and, when we find we have made a grave mistake,—it is too late to go back and begin over again.—We are so busy!—We take no time to think;—and,—too often,—if our friend does something we don't like,—we think it is deception.—If some-

body appears to do us an injury,—of course, it is intentional.—

Christmas comes: and somehow it seems to bring to all people a clearer view of men and women,—of life,—the true life,—the true interests of themselves and others.—and the world is better for it. So HATE, -AND FEAR, -AND VENGEANCE,-PENALTY AND PUNISH-MENT STOP AT THE CHRISTMAS TIDE, -AND MEN COME SO NEAR LOVING EACH OTHER-THAT IT GIVES US ABOUT THE ONLY HOPE WE HAVE FOR THE HAPPINESS OF HUMANITY. It is the season when the world stops to recall the charity of Him whose human form,—nailed to the cross.—the meanest and the greatest now bow before in reverence.—And, through nineteen centuries,—the gospel of love He taught has spread over the civilized earth,—the power behind all civilization —Peter Robertson.

TEMPLE of MUSIC DEDICATION

That to-day has been selected to devote this temple of music to the perpetual use of the people is especially felicitous. Apart from the purpose to which it will be devoted,—it is a noble work.—It is an architectural poem set to the music of an inspired imagination.—So far

as I know,—it has no prototype.—It is original in conception and execution.—This lofty center,—towering in massive strength above the orchestral vault,—together with its supporting colonnades,—is novel in design and detail,—and is the luxury of architectural grace.—

Its material is of Colusa sandstone.—in color as soft and grav as the ages—through which,—we trust, it will endure.—Its only and unselfish purpose is the constant education of the people in the purest and most refining of all the arts:—that art.—without which childhood would lose its delight—and old age its consolation;—that art,—which, while we are under its spell,—kills all care,—and puts grief to sleep;—that art,—which interprets every human passion and emotion,—which accompanies us by day and by night,—rouses the patriot heart—and helps to keep it in step with the music of the Union.—In this temple, melodies composed by the great masters of harmony shall educate and refine us and our descendants.-

Here,—national hymns shall speak in orchestral volume for the people in their hours of triumph—or rouse their declining courage in those of defeat.—Here shall be rendered the music of the future.—Here shall gather yet unborn millions,—drinking from their cradles to their graves the harmonies of songs and marches,—daily renewed from generation to generation as the sun renews its refulgent beams,—and free as the winds of the ocean,—that shall breathe upon these trees in their age and decrepitude—as now in their early growth.—

He who gave this structure to the people has builded for himself an enduring monument.—The rich and the great of earth may rest,—after the battle is over.—in stately tombs which make the sad glory of the cities of the dead,—cities where posterity must go to behold the record of human life—or human pride fighting the onset of human mortality.— From the tombs of Nippon and Nineveh. from Egyptian Puramids.—from every carved image and monumental pile the world over. from shrines that tell where saints have suffered,—and where the light of royalty has risen in palaces and set in sarcophagus and cenotaph;-FROM THE GRAVE OF ADAM TO THE LATEST MONUMENT THAT FROM LONE MOUNTAIN OVERLOOKS THE SEAS,—ALL ADD THEIR TESTIMONY TO THE IRRESISTIBLE DESIRE OF MAN TO LIVE,-THOUGH HE BE DEAD.-

The proudest memorial to the memory of the

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bestower of this gift will not be sought in some God's acre.—It will rather remain in this world of light and beauty.—Around it shall assemble living people,—men,—women,—and children,—not in affliction,—but in the happiest of the sunny hours of life,—in holiday and Sabbath rest,—prepared,—with kindly thoughts and emotions,—to enjoy the harmonies that shall be interpreted to them by the masters of the orchestral instruments of this age—and those of ages to come.—W. H. L. Barnes.

FAITH in MAN

I am glad you did not assign to me any particular theme. I want to speak here under the influence of the hour,—to you few men, of things that are common, old, and unforgotten.—And it is not because they are old and common and unforgotten that I wish to speak of them;—it is because they bear something of the aspects of immutability that I wish to speak of them.—Only do they change as planets change,—as seasons change,—as jutting cliffs along ocean shores disintegrate before the unceasing,—unending onslaught of a vengeful sea. More specifically, I want to

speak of men;—of the relations of men;—of the hopes of men.

When I say the relations of men,—I mean not so much the associations of men and the affairs of men as I do the love of men;—the potentialities of men.—And I mean not so much the relations of men en masse—as I mean the relations of men, one with another.—The first is only the last multiplied,—and the last—is only the first diminished.—The one is manifold and the other is individual.—And it is of the individual that I am speaking.—

It is because of him that I find courage to speak.—It is in him that I see the great possibility.—In my relations with him and in your relations with him.—we meet upon the bedrock of common understanding.—It is only here that we can balance accounts:—that we can weigh our minds:—that we can measure souls and count heart beats.—I like to think of relations,—sacred relations that come,—pure and clear like the crystal waters of a running brook:—clean and fresh as the air that sweeps the hemlocks on the mountain top.—I like to think of relations that rest,—like the bases of these hills.—on the indestructible adamant of fidelity:—on foundations that lie placid under the stress of mobility.—like the stoicism of a huge oak under the lash of an infuriated storm.

—It is a joy to think of such a thing;—it is a greater joy to know such a thing.—To clasp hands,—rough, wrinkled with the furrows of toil,—builds in us anew the ideal of faith in man.—

LET US CULTIVATE THIS COMPANIONSHIP BETWEEN MAN, AND MAN—AND MUNICIPALITIES AND NATIONS WILL TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES.

—Joseph DeNio.

The UNSOLVED PROBLEM

Of the unsolved problems that have agitated the human mind from time immemorial,—the most important has been to make just provision for the poor.—Intellectual and philanthropic giants have grappled with this most vital problem in vain.—For it is the duty of every one to ameliorate the condition of the poor without impairing the self-respect of the recipient.—Dignity of manhood can be acquired and maintained only by means of honest labor,—not by subsisting on the earnings of generosity of the benevolent.—"While all have a right to exist,"—yet it must always be remembered that—"Every right involves a corresponding duty."—

The great teacher,—Paul,—said, "He that will not work shall not eat."—In spite of the march of civilization with its inventions,—machinery,—and tremendous improvements,—the army of the poor steadily increases,—assuming colossal proportions.—How shall they gain their bread?—There is no problem of today more worthy of the thought of man than this—how shall the unemployed be turned away from despair—and led into proper channels of activity—for the good of not only themselves,—but also for the world's good?—

Metternich wisely and truly observes,— "There are no more political questions,—there are only social questions."—We are standing on the brink of a volcano,—and no number of soup houses will repress the smouldering fires: —it requires more direct, substantial aid.— Some plan must be devised by the body-politic to make men self-sustaining.—Sporadic charity amounts to nothing,—save temporarily, for that alone,—while the cause still remains untouched,—for each to-morrow brings its own hunger afresh.—Every dollar given to an association to provide work—work in any shape for the unemployed—is the initiation of a commendable effort to elevate the condition of the poor.—This attempt is not an iconoclastic one,—not tearing down without building up;—It is simply substituting the Workshop for the Soup house.—If we make the people independent of charity;—but dependent upon labor,—there will rise up a nation,—strong in principle and action—the essential elements of a free and powerful race.—

I. Lowenberg.

SANCTUARY

One of the most wonderful revolutions—of twofold beneficence—is going on in our national parks at this moment,—in the making of them into wild-life sanctuaries.—

It is remarkable in that it is doing as much for man as for the wild creatures that are protected from him.—

Perhaps,—indeed,—it is doing even more for him;—for it is teaching him not only that it is possible to live in amity with the wild animals—heretofore presumably formidable,—savage and antagonistic—but with his own kind as well.—The confidence that wild animal protection engenders is mutual.

Even the unaccustomed city folk—that grow quite panicky at thought of a bear at large in the woods—find their composure re-

turning when they observe the bear accepting their presence indifferently,—even cheerfully.

—And the possibility of a new relation to life—larger,—friendlier,—more tolerant,—more interdependent,—of a juster mutuality, dawns upon them.

The notion that wild beasts are lurking in ambush—to pounce upon and rend you—soon gives way to the shamefaced consciousness that man is the aggressor and inciter of antagonism.

One of the loveliest sights I have ever seen was of a doe—shoulder deep in the seeded grass and wild flowers of a mountain meadow up near Glacier point, with the afternoon sun slanting down upon her.—A doe is essentially a gentle and appealing creature in her exquisite defenselessness,—and posed thus,—with soft eyes unalarmed,—watching our auto glide into view and out again,—she made such a beautiful picture of peace and plenty,—security and contentment—as would move any heart to gladness that human coming and going should be accepted so calmly.—

The wild creatures are willing enough to let us share the earth with them—if we will but let them share it with us—unmolested.—

And this disposition on their part that we are coming to recognize in the wild-life sanc-

tuaries afforded by our national parks—suggests that even human Beings might live amicably together in this World—if we could adjust our minds to respecting each others' Rights.—Helen Dare.

The LAW of ANTAGONISM

The sun—being but newly created and feeble in his power,—yet needed another force to counteract the solar attraction;—this was the attraction of gravitation,—or the persistent will force of the Deity.—Without this law of antagonism—the sun would very soon rob our planet of its vitality. But this law of attraction is so wisely adjusted that it restores what otherwise would be dissipated by the sun's action;—or the earth would become parched and unfit for the home of any kind of life.—

This law of antagonism is divine in its origin—and includes in its range all forms of existence,—animate and inanimate. It is the great law by which the onward progress of the world is accomplished,—from the lowest to the highest forms of life.—By it—the balancings of nature are secured;—by it the mists are lifted up;—the clouds surrender their treasure,

—and the floods are carried back to the sea; the moaning winds,—the muttering thunder and the vivid lightning put to confusion the elements of the atmosphere,—purify the earth, —and prophesy of man.—

Man himself is subject to the same law.—
He swings from one extremity of the arc to the other,—till at last he settles down at the point of progress and moves forward.—The next generation moves in the same way,—only in a longer arc,—and finds a higher resting point.
—One generation is sacrificed to another as forests feed on the rich soil of their predecessors.—Men are persecuted in one age and die martyrs,—but the next age makes heroes of them—and builds monuments over their graves.—

SCIENTIFIC AND PHILOSOPHIC AND RELIGIOUS TRUTHS ARE PERSECUTED IN ONE AGE—AND IMMORTALIZED IN ANOTHER;—laughed at and driven out of the world,—then ushered in with music and banners and shouts of the multitude.

The see-saw of civilizations,—nations and empires—has been a forward movement over the graves of the buried past.—The dead past is but the prelude of the onward future;—out of the ruins of the old come the institutions of the new.—Thus the majestic procession moves on to perfection.—Robert Wilson Murphy.

The THREAD of LIFE

It is impossible to keep an eye on the thread of life at all. The transmission of life from one grain of wheat to another—is as incomprehensible as the product of a new,—powerful,—glorious and incorruptible body from a dead one,—buried in weakness, dishonor and corruption.—The living grain of wheat has in itself, no more self-raising power than the dead body of man.—Power comes to it in the ground.—

Life from death in the grain of wheat is an expansive movement from one to many.— Nature cares more for the strong than the weak;—she cares more for the fruitful than the barren,—she cares more for the conscious than the unconscious.—And in caring for the unconscious wheat,—she cares for the conscious man.—Conscious man is at the top of things,—and all below are his supporters.— Everything directly or indirectly is to help him.—Ceasing to help—they cease to be.—Man continues,—because consciousness,—LIKE FORCE AND MATTER,—IS AN INDEPENDENT AND IMPERISHABLE SUBSTANCE.—Rev. W. H. Platt.

The SCHOOL HOUSE

I desire to remind you that the schoolhouse is the garden-spot in which great minds are developed and cultivated.—The schoolhouse is the sign-post of civilization,—education—and enlightenment.—When a new schoolhouse is erected it shows the desire of that community to benefit the young who are to follow in our wake.

While we are fortunate to live in this great. -prosperous land,—which is universally admired for its inexhaustible resources,—prolific soil,—and its many grand virtues that bring prosperity to its inhabitants,—I beg to remind you that it is not the natural wealth with its bountiful resources alone—that has developed the wonderful prosperity which challenges the admiration of the dwellers of the old world. but it is the bright intellect and superior education of the many great men it has produced. -Compared with the old world,—America is in its infancy,—vet it has developed men of remarkable minds in all walks of life-men of the keenest powers of conception for designing —and of wonderful ability for execution—men who have, in a few generations,—transformed a savage land into a civilization,—a wilderness into an admirable cultivation,—and a continent filled with nomadic wild tribes,—with whom law and order were an unknown quantity,—into one of the greatest civilized nations known to ancient or to modern history.—

EDUCATION WELDED WITH THAT REAL—UNADULTERATED LIBERTY—ENJOYED BY ALL IN
THIS BLESSED COUNTRY—IS THE GREAT SECRET
OF THIS WONDERFUL SUCCESS AND ACHIEVEMENT,—and the schoolhouse is the first step
for the young to enable them to obtain that
fundamental training to fit them for their life's
career.—It is, therefore, meet,—and a sacred
duty,—for every community to provide liberally for this start in life for them,—by building
comfortable and sanitary schoolhouses,—and
by selecting able and competent school-teachers to lead them to civilization,—education—
and enlightenment.—S. Hartman.

The LIFE COMPLETE

The vision of a well-rounded life engages the interest of all aspiring men.—We may call this object of desire by many names,—culture,—education,—development,—civilization,—but these all look one way.—The full, harmonious life is simply one that finds itself on good terms with all that may enrich or enlarge

human existence.—It makes its way up toward completeness by seeking to give every normal claim its appropriate satisfaction.

I would remind you of Matthew Arnold's familiar classification of the powers that make for fullness of life.—He used to maintain that the forces which cultivate could all be grouped under four heads;—THE POWER OF CONDUCT,—THE POWER OF KNOWLEDGE,—THE POWER OF BEAUTY AND THE POWER OF SOCIAL LIFE.—These are his divisions,—and I shall use them in speaking to you of the influences that tend to make your lives complete.—

The power of conduct!—It brings before us the side of life we call ethical.—We all know that it is right to be true,—pure,—kind,—in one's relations with his fellows;—it is wrong to lie,—to be unclean,—to swerve from that law of love—where all ethical considerations find their unity.—It is right to live usefully;—it is wrong to live selfishly.—It is right to revere God and to trust in Him.—These are a few of the main forms of effort that go to make up right conduct.—Now,—to do these things,—and to keep on doing them until they become the settled disposition of the life,—will bring the culture that comes from the power of conduct.—It is the most important of the

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four—Arnold himself used to say—that "conduct is three fourths of life."—It is the side where men are most commonly efficient.—

But even three fourths is not the whole;—ethical conduct—with all its overshadowing importance,—is not all of life.—There are people who are good,—good enough,—so to speak,—so that you would not care to make them better,—but somehow they are stupid,—tiresome,—disagreeable.—

It is all right for a man to be conscientious,—and even saintly;—but if you are coming to close terms with him,—you insist that he shall have knowledge and be socially acceptable.—So that while we are to seek righteousness first,—there are other values to be added unto it.—

The power of knowledge!—I mean the ability to read,—and to know what it is all about;—the ability to know how it bears on other things you have read as you attempt to organize them;—the ability to think,—and when you think, to produce something that has the look and taste of your own mind about it;—the ability to see things as they are;—the ability to study the world about you,—not merely a worm here and a weed there,—but weeds,—worms,—and everything,—up to the sun,

moon, and stars,—as parts of one organic whole;—the ability to get behind and within all these phenomena—and see who or what is there and what is meant by them all:—the ability to study man both in detail and in the large;—the ability to learn his ways until you know his general gait and direction:—the ability to read history until you can strike the trail of human progress and follow it.—I mean,-also,-the ability to know something about literature,—not merely print,—but literature.—Much of what is printed and bound up is accurately called "reading matter."— But to know literature is to have some appreciation and understanding of the best that has been thought and said by the masters.—

The power of beauty!—This covers all that belongs to the aesthetic side of life.—We meet it the moment we enter the world,—in the matter of dress.—We all wear clothes, incidentally for decency and comfort,—but mainly that we may look well.—The controlling principle throughout is aesthetic,—and this is entirely legitimate.—It is well to get yourself up so that people can look at you with some comfort,—if it is a possible thing.—

We turn,—however,—to the nobler manifestations of this power,—to the attractiveness

of good architecture,—rightly built homes,—noble public buildings.—Men travel half round the earth to see them,—and then stand awestruck and worshipful beneath their greatness!—

This power includes the art of painting,—the Madonnas, Transfigurations and Ascensions,—the portraits of Rembrandt,—and the landscapes of Turner.—You spend three days in an Old World gallery,—and you find that you have been enlarged!—

The power of great music stands here,—real music,—which lays hold upon you gently,—but opens your nature until you feel as if you were all gateway on the side where it made its approach.

The power of social life!—We find here the touch of life on life,—immediate and direct,—with no intervention of printed page or painted canvas.—It is not good for man to be alone,—for we sharpen and polish one another by being rubbed together.—This power includes conversation,—debate,—public address;—the easy touch-and-go talk of the club or dinnertable;—the solid and wholesome enjoyment of genuine friendship,—where the deeper natures look on one another unveiled—and are not afraid nor ashamed:—the love of husband and

wife,—parent and child,—brother and sister,—
it includes all that is suggested in the art of
living together.—It is a wide and noble side of
the four-square life,—and the various social
relationships fill it with gateways for holy,—
helpful influences to come in.—

This social life has high moral values.—It brings us together and teaches us our need of one another.—It makes us sympathetic and understanding.—You cannot love your neighbor by a sheer lift of resolute will.—You must first discover his lovable aspects, and he, too, must find you out.—

There you have the four sides of the *ideal* life!—You cannot name an earthly influence which they do *not* include.—Anonymous.

PUBLIC OPINION

The growth of public opinion is the one significant fact of modern times.—Always powerful in local and national affairs,—it is now the determining factor in the government of the civilized world.—How has it become "world-opinion" in these days?

The coming in of democracy,—in the form of constitutional and representative governments,—has given a mighty impetus to the

spread of public opinion.—The appeal is now made to the people,—and the expression of their thought is well-nigh omnipotent in modern politics.—The ease with which the common thought can be translated into common action—also puts a premium upon the power of the masses.—According to Lincoln,—"Our government rests in public opinion.—Whoever can change public opinion can change the government practically just so much."

Wendell Phillips,—the agitator,—in his famous lecture on Public Opinion,—glories in the new era.—"The age of men armed in mail is over.—The age of thrones has gone by.—The age of statesmen—God be praised!—is over.—The age of thinking men has come.—The age of the masses has come."

Under the old regime,—when aristocracy prevailed in one form or another,—political sentiment emanated from persons possessed of property,—and presumably,— therefore possessed of intelligence and extraordinary influences.—Under the present order of democracy—(in the wide sense of that term),—it arises from a majority of the people,—and theoretically seeks the greatest good of the greatest number.—

An additional explanation of the rapid spread of public opinion over world-areas—is found in increased facilities for communication.—The three quickest modes of communication—are said to be telephone,—telegraph,—and tell a woman.—

The wonderful—most miraculous—application of electricity to purposes of communication over land and over seas, as well as under them;—the splendid enterprise of the press in sending special correspondents to all parts of the globe;—the organization of the news service,—that regularly reports the gossip of the world,—these and other systems of regular correspondence have brought the ends of the earth together.—The same ideas,—being distributed simultaneously over civilization,—achieve a social unity of the great nations,—approximating the dream of the poet,—who sees the "parliament of man,—the federation of the world."

Once leaders spoke,—and the world waited to hear,—and took their cue from the political or popular oracles of the day.—

NOW, PRESIDENTS AND LEGISLATORS,—HIGH AND LOW,—STRAIN THEIR EARS TO CATCH THE FIRST SOUND OF THE POPULAR WILL,—DUMB ORACLES TILL THEY HEAR.—

Let me confess that when I began the study of this subject some months ago.—I was inclined to discount the value of public opinion. -It seemed so vague and uncertain a quantity,—that I thought it overestimated in point of influence.—The swinging of the pendulum of popular favor,—now for and now against, -a natural and inevitable expression of the mutable many,—gave it the character of inconstancy.—I have since come to see that there is a distinction to be made between "the public" and "the people."—The public is that part of the people that is clamorous and rampant at any given time.—Underneath the froth and foam that stir the surface there is a sober seriousness that can be counted on to carry causes to right conclusions.—

Nevertheless,—we would not say that public opinion is infallible. The public mind must be enlightened to give sane decisions when appealed to as the ultimate arbiter.—Education must be as wide and inclusive as citizenship—without limitation to those who have the right of suffrage.—Public discussion and debate must be encouraged,—for the training of the reasoning faculties.—Pulpit, and platform, and press must seek to give such interpretation to the signs of the times,—that the highest wel-

fare of all may be conserved.—Reform of existing abuses should be countenanced and encouraged that progress may be made and social conditions ameliorated,—in the interest of universal justice and human brotherhood.—

This is the higher meaning,—the true ideal,—of public opinion. It should be the expression of the national conscience.—In this sense,—and in this sense alone,—we may assent to the dictum, Vox populi vox Dei, the voice of the people is the voice of God.—Rev. Dr. Baker.

ADDRESS to STUDENTS

In doing one thing well, the student will learn more or less about other things.— Through one field mastered he gets the lay of the land all about him.—It is the one way known among men.—The subject of study a man chooses is of far less importance than the attitude he learns to assume toward the truth.—It is not a man's outward equipment that counts,—but his character.—The subject of study is to be regarded as little more than a certain healthy food for a growing mental organism.—Feed well,—keep clean,—and let nature do the rest.—

Of more importance still than subject or training is the competence to transmute the form of learning into the form of discovery.—
Toward stimulating this competency,—in short range or in great,—all higher training must strive.—Fresh thinking is the very breath of life to a university.—A man who has once,—in small or great,—exhausted all that is known on a given matter,—and, having proceeded alone beyond the outer picket line of the advance,—has gained glimpses of new lands in new relation to the old,—has become thereby a changed man for all his life.—A new fever is in his blood.—It is no longer worth his while to borrow.—He has now discovered.—

MAN RISES TO THE HIGHEST THERE IS IN HIM WHEN HE SHAKES HIMSELF FREE FROM IMITATION,—SUPERSTITION AND CONVENTION;—and setting free mind above the ruts of matter, re-discovers his world by re-thinking it.—

A university is a place where men—living together in the sharing of outlook and tasks may shape their lives to social need by learning to understand one province where human thought has leveled roads,—and by helping,—find the further way.—

If our walls are to bear but one inscription,—let these five words standing at its gates tell what the university is for:—"To Help Find the Way."—Anonymous.

PRACTICAL LIFE

Life is a series of repetitions! If one day's labor led to the higher development of the next day,—we might gain some breathing time.—But it is impossible! There is no suspension of the law of supply and demand,—not for even one day's rest.—It stands grimly and relentlessly before one like some awful deity—that will not be placated.—It is with feelings akin to awe that one attempts to depict the internal life of the family.

Woman's whole lifework is to deal with raw material.—Thus the question, "What shall we eat,—what shall we drink,—and wherewithal shall we be clothed?"—assumes fearful proportions,—showing a hand-to-hand grappling with the necessities of life that will admit of no loitering by the way. Duty lays her heavy hand upon us and requires that we shall consider—not only those but the thousand-and-one trivial needs of changing fashion from day to day,—in addition to our primal wants and necessities,—until intellectual feats and enjoyments are pushed to one side in favor of the things that die with the day.—

If Lucifer, himself,—in his glorious abode,—had been hedged in by the numerous cares and perplexities pertaining to this corporeal

frame of ours—if the pangs of hunger had assailed him in his arch plottings—if the necessity of beefsteak.—bread and butter had been a part of his nature—if he had been dependent upon the exertions of the tailor and the shoemaker for a faultless attire—instead of fleeing through the realms of infinity draped in the unchanging robes of immortality—if his energies had been wound up in the limited circle of time allotted to us out of twelve waking hours -instead of a continuous rush of unabated energy through illimitable eternity—if a gripe —or a pain—or a tithe of our bodily afflictions could have occasionally seized upon him in his etherial flights to the uttermost boundaries of the celestial worlds—doubtless a wholesome humility would have been impressed throughspiritual organization,—effectually out his snubbing the pride and daring which plunged him downwards,-irretrievably,-to the depth and darkness of the Plutonian shore.—

FROM GENERATIONS UNTOLD IN THE FAR PAST DOWN TO THE PRESENT TIME,—AND SO LONG AS POSTERITY FLOURISHES IN SUCCESSIVE DECADES,—WILL THE ADAMANTINE CHAIN OF MATERIALITY HOLD US FAST.—In vain do we attempt to escape from its anaconda-like folds.—The genius of man may mitigate—so far as

in his power lies,—the hopeless drudgery of our forefathers by the application of steam and the perfection of machinery.—But the field only widens.—our wants increase.—our necessities multiply.—This is the body of hindrance to which our immortality is chained:—the Promethean vulture which is ever preying upon our spiritual faculties,—the clinging shirt of Nessus,—destroying our highest purposes. This is the stern flat of an exorable law. which grasping our souls in this material frame, -holds in abeyance and subjection the spark of divinity which is crying out intuitively for an immortality beyond the grave,—for an eternity of time in which to accomplish the impossibilities of earth,—the hopes and desires of the longing heart of man.—Rachel Hepburn Haskell.

OUR DUTY to the YOUNG

The paramount duty of mankind is so to deport itself as to enable the young to keep their minds clean.—When this is done it reflects upon the character,—intelligence—and health of the rising generation.—There is nothing so detrimental to the young as the suggestions of fear,—hatred—and pernicious

social activities.—By social activities, I mean all things that tend to influence the life in the home and in society.—

On the other hand,—there is nothing so beneficial to the young as thoughts of love, kindness.—charity—and religion.—There is nothing so impressionable as the young mind. -and-consequently-it becomes readily influenced by suggestive thoughts.—If these thoughts tend towards that which is evil.—its effect upon the youth is of a fearful,—nervous. -selfish character,-which ultimates either in ill-health, unhappiness or evil mindedness.— On the other hand,—if the suggestions' influence is good and noble in character—it ultimates in lovable,—intelligent and happy manhood and womanhood.—free from nervous and unhealthful disorders and criminal tendencies .--

OUR DUTY IS TO DEVELOP THE RELIGIOUS TRAINING OF THE CHILDREN,—for when that is properly cared for and nourished,—it is reasonably certain that virtue and good will predominate.—

Our duty to the young—therefore—lies in our using our best efforts with precept,—training and example—so as to keep their minds clean,—that future generations will be assured

a wholesome atmosphere,—in which love of God and man will be the predominating influence—and evil and crime, negligible qualities and quantities.—Then virile,—red-blooded,—wholesome men and women,—free from anaemia,—both literal and figurative, will rule.—"Justice and liberty to all" will be the world's motto,—and the pathway leading to the brotherhood of man will have been cleared.—M. S. Levy.

TRUTH in TRINITY

Truth is its own exceeding great,—unspeakable reward.—There are three,—and only three,—that bear witness here on earth of things heavenly and divine.—There are three,—and only three,—human pursuits that,—passing beyond the veil of time and sense,—take hold of things spiritual and eternal.—

THESE ARE SCIENCE,—FINE ART—AND RE-LIGION.—These three strive ever together, each in its several ways,—to perfect that image in the human spirit.—Science strives ever to perfect that image in the human reason as truth;—art strives to perfect the same image in the human imagination as ideal beauty; religion strives ever to perfect the same image in the human will and the human heart—in human life and human conduct—as duty and love.—These three seem often to us widely separate,—and even, alas!—in deadly conflict,—but only because we view them on so low a plane.—As we trace them upward—they converge more and more,—until they meet and become one.—They are, indeed,—but the earthly,—finite symbol of a trinity which is infinite and eternal.—Joseph Le Conte.

GOOD OLD BOOKS

No book has lived beyond the age of its author unless it was filled with that emotional quality—which lifts the reader out of this prosaic world into that spiritual life—whose dwellers are forever young—unless it were full of this spiritual force which endures through the centuries. The words of the Biblical writers,—of Thomas A. Kempis,—Milton,—Bunyan, Dante and others,—are charged with a spiritual potency that move the reader of today as they have moved the countless generations in the past.—

Could one wish for a more splendid immortality than this,—to serve as the stimulus to ambitious youth—long after one's body has

moldered in the dust?—EVEN THE SPHINX IS NOT SO ENDURING AS A GREAT BOOK,—written in the heart's blood of a man or woman who has sounded the deeps of sorrow—only to rise up full of courage and faith in human nature.—

And so in this roundabout way.—I come back to my library shelves to urge upon you who now are wrapped warm in domestic life and love—to provide against the time when you may be cut off in a day from the companionship that makes life precious.—Cultivate the great worthies of literature—even if this means neglect of the latest magazine or the newest sensational romance.—Be content to confess ignorance of the ephemeral books that will be forgotten in a single half year,—so you may spend your leisure hours in genial converse with the great writers of all time.—The vital thing is that you have your own favorites -books that are real and genuine,—each one brimful of the inspiration of a great soul.— Keep these books on a shelf convenient for use. -and read them again and again-until you have saturated your mind with their wisdom and their beauty.—

So may you come into the true Kingdom of Culture—whose gates never swing open to the

pedant or the bigot.—So may you be armed against the worst blows that fate can deal you in this world.—George Hamlin Fitch.

CHILDREN of the GHETTO

There is one beautiful sight in the East End,—and only one,—and that is the children—dancing in the street when the organ-grinder goes his round.—It is fascinating to watch them,—the new-born,—the next generation,—swaying and stepping,—with pretty little mimicries and graceful inventions all their own,—with muscles that move swiftly and easily,—and bodies that leap airily,—weaping rhythms never taught in dancing school.—

I have talked with these children,—here,—there—and everywhere,—and they struck me as being bright as Other children,—and in many ways even Brighter.—They have most active little imaginations.—Their capacity for projecting themselves into the realm of romance and fantasy is remarkable.—A joyous life is romping in their blood.—They delight in music,—and motion,—and color, and very often they betray a startling beauty of face and form under their filth and rags.—

But there is a Pied Piper who steals them

all away.—They disappear.—One never sees them again,—or anything that suggests them.

—You may look for them in vain amongst the generation of grown-ups. Here you will find stunted forms,—ugly faces,—and blunt and stolid minds.—Grace,—beauty,—imagination,—all the resiliency of mind and muscle, are gone.

The Children of the Ghetto possess all the qualities which make for noble manhood and womanhood;—but the Ghetto itself,—like an infuriated tigress,—turning on its young,—often turns upon and destroys all these qualities,—blots out the light and laughter,—and moulds those it does not kill into sodden and forlorn creatures.—Jack London.

HIGH SCHOOL DEDICATION

We are here to rejoice in this completed work.—There is very little in the building it-self,—though it is commodious and cheerful,—to awaken any enthusiasm.—But as a school-room—a new structure to befriend civilization,—in a state where the forces of good and evil meet in a more open and demonstrative wrestle,—probably,—than upon any other equal

area on the globe—it does invite us to be glad,—and to express our joy that it is added to the landscape of the city,—and has sprung out of a deepening popular faith in the worth of education.—

And yet it is not simply a new schoolhouse that we are to consecrate to its noble offices.— It is the summetry of an educational system in the city that we complete and establish.—If there were any influence to be exerted by the establishment of this high school in drawing away the public interest from the grammar schools,—the public pride in them,—the public readiness to be taxed to sustain them. there would be no occasion for gratitude in the completion of this building:—this would be an unfortunate service and hour.—THE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS ARE THE TRUE FOUNTAINS OF HEALTH AND POWER IN A COMMUNITY.—Whatever tends to slight them,—or reduce their efficiency. —or throw the shadow of public indifference upon them,—is to be deplored,—and to be strenuously resisted.—

But,—very likely,—in all this,—I am speaking needless words.—Perhaps I have done wrong to assume or hint that there can be any question,—in any quarter,—of the value of the school whose home we consecrate here,—or of

its advantageous relation to the other schools—of which we are justly proud.—

The spiritual forces must be started soon in states like this,—and trained to ten times their present vigor,—or we shall be unable to wield the majestic armor and implements of our science and materialistic culture.—And this building,—which lifts the torch of education higher,—as a beacon to the state,—which will turn out nobler specimens of young manhood and womanhood,—invites us,—by peculiar fitness,—in this harvest time,—to rejoice in its completion,—and to express our gratitude by elaborate ceremonial and reverent prayer.—Anonymous.

NORMAN PIONEERS

Among the pioneers of other lands and times, who have stamped their characters on the institutions they founded and become immortal in history, I shall, for your good counsel,—advert to but two examples,—and those,—in many respects,—the opposite of each other.—In 1066, the Normans invaded England,—and the battle of Hastings broke forever the Saxon and Danish power.—But years passed,—and several monarchs filled and va-

cated the English throne,—before these Norman pioneers had accomplished their work and molded the nation to their will.—They were warriors,—not reformers.—They were greedy of power,—but impatient of its exercise upon themselves;—greedy of wealth,—but lavish in its expenditure.—They were reckless alike of their own and the life of others.—Turbulent,—unruly,—equally dangerous to the people whom they subdued,—and to the princes who led them to conquest.—Galant men,—full of deeds of knightly courtesy,—yet reddening their hands with the blood of civil broil,—and ever ready to maintain their right with their swords.—

Men of clear intellect and giant will,—they acknowledged an uncertain allegiance to their king,—and only bowed their necks to the yoke of God when,—at the close of life,—they deemed it necessary to assume the monastic habit,—or to do penance of their goods for the salvation of their souls.—From these stern and bloody men,—"who came in with the Conqueror,"—or followed in the train of his successors,—the noblest families of England are proud to derive their descent;—and even we republicans upon this distant coast,—and at this late period of time,—do not refuse our

admiration to these Norman pioneers,—who, through the mists of the past,—loom up like giants before us.—Yet our admiration of these old warriors,—the admiration of the world for them,—is not because they shed blood,—or amassed or squandered wealth,—or swore fealty to their kings,—or broke their oaths in rebellion,—or committed or abstained from the crimes that were common to their age.—

The Norman pioneers were enrolled in history amongst the most illustrious of men-because in the dark and troublous times in which they lived,—in the midst of confusion and blood,—with strong hands and undaunted hearts they laid deep the first foundations of English liberty,—and became the fathers of that system of common law which, at the end of eight hundred years.—is the protection and the glory of all who speak the English tonque. -We forget the details of the battle of Hastings,—and of a hundred other battles that followed it.—We do not remember what castles were subdued,—what cities were burned, -what districts were wasted with fire and sword,—or who was killed,—or who made the slaughter on the field of blood;—but all of us who have studied the history of our own freedom-will well remember how the first charter

of liberty was wrung from Henry I,—at his coronation,—and how, with their swords in their hands,—the stern old barons compelled its confirmation and extension by King John,—in the field between Windsor and Staines,—in the form of Magna Charta.—

True,—those charters of liberty were imperfect in their provisions,—but a happy facility of interpretation, which in England has generally been used in favor of liberty,—has, from their date,—made them the safeguard of the rights of the People,—and on them,—as the lowest Foundation Stones,—rests the whole glorious Superstructure of the English common Law.—The Normans were pioneers whose names must be immortal.—

A great trust is committed to your hands by the events that have made you pioneers.—Take care that you discharge that trust with honor to yourselves,—and so that California may achieve the glorious destiny that is her due.—Take care that you so conduct the youth of this state, that centuries hereafter,—your descendants may say proudly of their ancestors,—"He came in with the pioneers."—Frederick P. Tracy.

ST. PATRICK

Everywhere,—at home and abroad,—on land and on sea,—wherever the Christian Civilization has penetrated,—there rises to Heaven,—on the wings of prayer,—the name of him in whose honor and in commemoration of whose achievements we are gathered here to-day.—Wherever Christianity has lifted her celestial banner,—the great,—splendid,—and holy deeds of St. Patrick—are being recalled and recounted with gratitude,—with reverence,—and with love.—

This day is devoted—not only to a recollection of the Christian services of St. Patrick,—but also to a commemoration of the martyrdom of those who have toiled and died for the land which he redeemed from pagan darkness.—

Who was St. Patrick?—What was his conquest?—Over what and whom did he triumph?
—Going back to the third and fourth centuries of the Christian era,—we see the world covered with darkness.—We think to-day of the man,—chosen of God,—who went to that island to which your memories fondly turn,—and there converted to a belief in the Master a whole people.—Round about and over Ireland thick darkness had gathered and settled down.—She was the farthest West of the then known

world,—the very outpost of the westward march of man,—cut off from the Continent,—lost in the sea.—She was a stranger to Christianity,—but her people,—though pagan,—possessed a certain loftiness of mind and worship.—They had not deified the beasts of the field;—they did not worship images born of the earth;—they worshiped the sun and all the hosts of heaven;—even then,—far back in the gloom,—before the advent of St. Patrick,—they lifted their faces upward toward the sky.—

You are familiar with the life of St. Patrick. -how born,-nursed,-and reared in poverty and obscurity,—he was taken captive to Ireland and there tended the flocks upon the hillsides,—working as a slave.—You remember his miraculous escape;—you recall his years of toil.—of preparation.—of study.—of devotion.—in order that he might be competent to perform the great work for which God intended him.—You remember his yearning to return to Ireland,—where he had toiled as a slave.—to free that people from the bondage of paganism and the darkness of ignorance.— You remember his return to that island and that he found it as he had left it,—given over to pagan worship.—

Think of the triumph of St. Patrick!—He converted a whole nation without shedding a drop of blood!—He was a great conqueror,—not as a Caesar,—not as an Alexander,—not as a Hannibal,—not as a Mahomet,—spreading his doctrine by sword and fire,—but as a humble follower of the Saviour,—gentle,—CHARITABLE,—KIND,—BY WORDS OF PROMISE,—BY ACTS OF LOVE,—ROBBING THE GRAVE OF ITS VICTORY AND DEATH OF ITS STING,—TEACHING THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF MAN,—THE IMMORTALITY OF THE SOUL.—Anonymous.

The PAST and the PRESENT

The dwellers in the past uttered thoughts beyond the reaches of our souls,—in a speech too majestic for our harassed and utilitarian times.—The notion that we have progressed, in any true spiritual sense,—beyond these men and the age in which they were at home,—is an illusion,—from which,—for the sake of our souls,—we must speedily awaken.—We have indeed gained a knowledge of facts unknown to them;—but in the vast abysses of space and time we have not found the splendors which inspired them.—Their little world was a home to them,—perhaps because it had many exits;—

our vaster one,—having none,—has become a prison for us.—We have multiplied machinery and enslaved ourselves.—We have extended democracy—and abridged freedom.—We have lost the old sense of the unexplored possibilities of life; we cannot respond,—as did the men of the time which we rightly call the New Birth,—to the challenge of the future and the unknown.—The soul of the wide world ceases to be prophetic, and dreams no more on things to come.—We are materialists;—which means that we think of ourselves as products and effects of that world which to them was the instrument and opportunity of the spirit of man.—

To renew our sense of the scope of the soul, of human freedom,—and of the unexhausted possibilities of the spirit,—we need to turn back from our universe of repetitions and inevitabilities,—our worldwide empires and collossal republics,—to the little world and the tiny nations of the past.—We must unlearn the childish error which mistakes bigness for greatness,—numbers for quality,—and money for wealth.—Spiritual grandeur has commonly dwelt with material littleness.—The insignificant Palestine and Greece;—the little England, with a population less than that of Lon-

don today,—and no colonial empire; the tiny Italian republics, unsecured even by the "scraps of paper" of their more potent neighbors,—from these have come forth the imperishable glories of the race of man.—

We need not infer.—indeed.—that the huge nations of the modern world can not do the things nobler than were done by the little ones of the past:—my unswerving faith is that they can and will.—But certain it is that these achievements will not be realized unless the power of vision and creation can be renewed in us.—In the Elizabethan time,—most men, from our lordly and emancipated point of view, were ignorant and superstitious.—We are wise and sceptical.—We have exchanged poetry for science,—we have bartered the heavenly promise of the rainbow for a knowledge of its chemistry.—By the patient labor of three centuries we have gained infinitely,—and it behooves us to be grateful for the potent wizardry wherewith science has armed us.—But. alas! we have lost one secret that was known to the superstitious people of the older world;—the secret that MAN IS A SPIRIT, AND THAT THE WORLD OF THE SENSES, VAST AND IMPRESSIVE AS IT MAY BE,-IS NO MORE THAN THE SHADOW of the Soul,—and its means of communicaspirit.—Without that secret we cannot live.—
Until we have learned once more to recognize what a piece of work is a man,—and how things bow before him;—until we have ceased to be bullied and cowed by the world machine which our own minds have framed, we shall not see again the magnificence of the age that crowned itself with Shakspeare.—Horace J. Bridges.

DECISIVE INTEGRITY

The man who is so conscious of the rectitude of his intentions,—as to be willing to open his bosom to the inspection of the world,—is in possession of one of the strongest pillars of a decided character.—The course of such a man will be firm and steady,—because he has nothing to fear from the world, and is sure of the approbation and support of heaven.—While he,—who is conscious of secret and dark designs which, if known, would blast him,—is perpetually shrinking and dodging from public observation,—and is afraid of all around,—and much more of all above him.—

Such a man may,—indeed,—pursue his iniquitous plans, steadily;—he may waste himself

to a skeleton in the guilty pursuit:—but it is impossible that he can pursue them with the same health-inspiring confidence,—and exulting alacrity, with him who feels, at every step, —that he is in the pursuit of honest ends,—by honest means.—The clear unclouded brow. the open countenance,—the brilliant eye which can look an honest man steadfastly, yet courteously in the face,—the healthfully beating heart,—and the firm elastic step,—belong to him whose bosom is free from guile,—and who knows that all his motives and purposes are pure and right.—Why should such a man falter in his course?—He may be slandered,—he may be deserted by the world;—but he has that within which will keep him erect,—and enable him to move onward in his course, with his eves fixed on heaven.—which he knows will not desert him.—

Let your first step,—then,—in that discipline which is to give you decision of character,—be the heroic determination to be honest men,—and to preserve this character through every vicissitude of fortune, and in every relation which connects you with society.—I do not use this phrase,—"honest men,"—in the narrow sense,—merely, of meeting your pecuniary engagements, and paying your debts;—for this

the common pride of gentlemen will constrain you to do.—I use it in its larger sense of discharging all your duties,—both public and private,—both open and secret, with the most scrupulous,—heaven-attesting integrity;—in that sense,—farther,—which drives from the bosom all little,—dark,—crooked,—sordid,—debasing considerations of self,—and substitutes in their place a bolder,—loftier, and nobler spirit:—one that will dispose you to consider yourselves as born,—not so much for yourselves,—as for your country, and your fellow-creatures,—and which will lead you to act on every occasion sincerely,—justly,—generously, magnanimously.—

THERE IS A MORALITY ON A LARGER SCALE,—PERFECTLY CONSISTENT WITH A JUST ATTENTION TO YOUR OWN AFFAIRS,—WHICH IT WOULD BE THE HEIGHT OF FOLLY TO NEGLECT:—a generous expansion, a proud elevation and conscious greatness of character,—which is the best preparation for a decided course, in every situation into which you can be thrown;—and it is to this high and noble tone of character that I would have you to aspire.—I would not have you to resemble those weak and meagre streamlets,—which lose their direction at every petty impediment that presents itself,—and

stop,—and turn back, and creep around, and search out every little channel through which they may wind their feeble and sickly course. -Nor vet would I have you resemble the headlong torrent that carries havoc in its mad career.—But I would have you like the ocean. that noblest emblem of majestic decision, which, in the calmest hour, still heaves its resistless might of waters to the shore.—filling the heavens,—day and night,—with the echoes of its sublime declaration of independence. and tossing and sporting, on its bed,—with an imperial consciousness of strength that laughs at opposition. It is this depth.—and weight, and power,—and purity of character. —that I would have you to resemble:—and I would have you,—like the waters of the ocean. -become the purer by your own action.-Wirt.

SERVICE

No people is prosperous because a few are rich.—No family is happy because only one member has fallen.—No man has done his duty when he has made his own fortune,—educated his own children,—built his own house.—His very accomplishment is the measure of his

wider obligation.—The sons of Reuben and of Gad and half the tribe of Manasseh may not rest when their claim is staked;—they must labour in battle to help the unsettled.—If one member suffer—all the members suffer with it.

NO MAN LIVETH UNTO HIMSELF.—No nation may set arbitrary bounds—and say to all that lies beyond:—"Thus far shalt thou come and no further."—The child is not long in the nursery.—The street,—the school,—the city,—the world are waiting to put their mark upon him.—Happy the parent who has put his mark upon his children—the mark of Service!"—Rev. Robert Freeman.

PART IV INTIMATE TOPICS

GREETINGS to SCHOOL CHILDREN

CREETINGS and a word,—on the way,
—to that army of school children of
America,—marching, after the long summer
vacation, along the old-accustomed paths to
school.

You,—alone of all armies,—retain your full quota.—All others are torn either by enlistment or by shot and shell.—Your fathers,—your brothers,—your sisters,—your mothers,—are "over there."—You are proud of them and sometimes in fancy,—can see them thru the smoke and dust.—You expect them to do their duty. Have you thought that they expect you to do yours?—How are you going to do it?—What sort of duty is yours to do?—

Let us think it over.—The first thing a soldier learns is discipline.—It is sometimes spelled "o-b-e-d-i-e-n-c-e."—Disobedience in the army is a shame and a disgrace.—In extreme cases it is punished by death; in lesser cases, by hardships almost as bad as death.—

The second thing he learns is courtesy.—

The good soldier carries himself like a gentle-man.—He is obliged to speak politely to his superiors in rank.—By this means he comes to speak politely to his comrades.—Courtesies sweeten the soldier's life.—They smooth the army work.—They lessen the burdens in hospital and camp for our sisters and our mothers who are "over there."—

The third big thing the soldier learns is neatness.—He can't be a soldier and be anything but clean in attire and equipment.—And when he is neat and clean,—he thinks better of himself.—

Other big things that come to him are pride of the company,—the regiment,—the soldier's pride of courage,—victory,—honor,—truth,—love of country.—He finds his very soul in the army.—He finds himself also—prompt,—able,—courteous,—honest,—dutiful.—

YOU—SCHOLARS OF AMERICA—MUST EMU-LATE THE SOLDIERLY DISCIPLINE OF THE ARMIES OF AMERICA.—You are the greatest and best army that we have left at home.— You must be courteous.—You must be obedient,—you must be clean and neat;—you must work faithfully—as never before.—This is no common year.—Everything is different—school has greater meaning as has everything else in life.—You must remember that this war is being fought largely for you.—Most of us will be gone before its full benefits can possibly come.—You will be alive and will enjoy them.—

It is a fine army—this that sets out for school under the peaceful elms.—How different from that huddled.—flame scorched army of boys and girls of Belgium and Northern France wearing gas-masks,—fleeing between the screeching shells—to some underground refuge where they study,—to the thunder of great guns and the roar of explosions.—If you have any sense of *gratitude* to those who are dying for you over there,—can you fail to appreciate your opportunities this year,—of all years?—Can you afford to be thoughtless or inefficient.—disobedient or discourteous?— Does not the vision of the great war make you more proud of your American birth and lineage?—Does not the picture of those other school-children in lands of war,-make you better appreciate what you enjoy here?—And will you remember now, hour by hour.—that what the "boys" are fighting for, is the right for you to walk in peace along these quiet streets to a clean and well-ordered free school in a free land.—

And, boys and girls!—If you could only know how large a part in all teaching depends on you. I know that you would be as good soldiers here as those older boys and girls are, —wherever they may be.—You would begin with obedience;—in all things, courteous;—glorying in the spirit of the army of Freedom and Truth;—honest to your school and your-self;—proud of its victories;—appreciative of the service that those who are dying to make men free,—are giving you in pain and sacrifice—as you walk your way to and from your schools.—A. G. S.

The OTHER NAME for SUCCESS

Judge Blank of Auburn was talking the other day about his beginning in law.—He was admitted to the bar when he had been only two times in a supreme judicial court room,—both times as a spectator.—But he had long before decided to be a lawyer and had early been impressed with the dignity of the calling.—

He thought out his career,—while he was working on the farm and while he was teaching school.—The other day he was given an unusual honor—unique we think in the record of

the bar,—a gathering of his appreciative fellow-attorneys at a dinner to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the admission of that serious-minded boy to the practice of law.—

You would hunt far to find a more interesting example of what we call -"thinking in terms of success"—than the life of this eminent attorney. He never quit doing just that.— Everything he ever undertook,—he carried thru,—if it was possible for any man to carry it thru.—Some people have not thoroughly liked him because of his "winning ways," but most of them have come to learn that if he was a good fighter,—he was a good forgetter and good forgiver.—He won because he thought of everything in terms of winning.— He never looked at anything in terms of possible failure.—That's why he is today, young,-well-groomed,-active,-alive to public affairs.—He never looked at life as anything but a success.

The old philosophers all taught this very thing.—"think success."—Rosseau said it;—Emerson preached it.—Prentice Mulford reiterated it.—We don't just know why it works out as it does.—There is no special philosophy about it but it is surely one of those things that just works—that's all.—You take

a man like Judge Blank—all energy,—all determination,—all capacity—and all brains and have him think success and—the next moment he is acting on the assumption and he gets there.

No man is a success,—however,—solely on the side of material things.—I doubt if any man knows this better than the man of whom I am writing.—He has been in a lot of fights.

—He has rubbed a lot of persons the wrong way.—He has been cordially hated.—But he has been just as fondly loved by those who knew him.—Fact is,—he does many things by impulse and he hits hard,—but when the battle is over he has the same sensitive and kindly aspect to fellow-man,—the same willingness to take over the battles of the man who had been fighting him, in the first place.—He has done a world of good by stealth.—

He's a rugged old Roman—as young as ever.—He seemed to practice law easily;—but it was because he knew how.—He knew the law and he knew the routine and he "practiced."—Lots of young lawyers do not "practice."—You will have to go far to find the other man, who has been more days in the court-room.—He got his experience in work.—

PERHAPS THIS IS THE OTHER REASON WHY

"THINKING SUCCESS" SPELLS "SUCCESS."—IT IS BECAUSE ITS OTHER NAME IS "HARD-WORK."—A. G. S.

GETTING THERE by PERSEVERING

We had word the other day that Ralph Skinner—who was once a reporter in this office—and that not so long ago—is now a captain in the regular army of the U. S., stationed near San Francisco.—

Here is an example of what perseverance and pluck will do.—Never was there a boy who seemed to have a harder prospect before him than Skinner had three years ago.—He came here to work in this office when he hadn't a chance in the world.—He had a certain facility in writing but no capacity to speak of as a reporter.—He tried and tried, and never gave up,—but the way was long and weary.—Once he quit and went to farming. He made a complete and utter failure and celebrated it in a story of flashes of facetious nature—one of those stories that could not be printed because it was too prolix but which showed ability of high order.—

To help out his work in the neswpaper and heighten his usefulness he joined the National

Guard.—His sole purpose was to make good on the newspaper and to get at the sources of news of that class.—He became a very good soldier.—His fundamental characteristic was conscience.—He was absolutely honest to himself and all of the world.—Of all men,—he was surpassed by none—in his sense of absolute devotion to duty and to right.—He was the sweetest,—fairest, best of young men.—But he was not built for advances in newspaper work.—No one knew it better than he.—

Little by little he began to get ahead in the military way.—Physically he developed.—Mentally he grew.—Finally I came across him one day studying French.—I said nothing.—Next I found him at work on plane Trigonometry and working at logarithms.—I asked him what was the idea.—He said that he was going in for examination for Second Lieutenant in the Regular Army of the U. S.,—a life profession if he landed it.—

How the lad studied!—He was married by this time, and happily.—This was a spur to him.—He took an examination and failed.—But he failed so that someone was impressed by the material—the man in him.—He was asked to come over and try it again.—The officers liked the Stuff in him.—He tried and

failed on a few studies.—I don't know how many times he tried before he conquered,—step by step,—the weary way of the night and day toil.—But he got there!—

When he went to the examinations,—he expected to land in the Coast Artillery.—An officer who evidently liked him said,—"Can you ride a horse?"—"Sure," said Skinner.—They led up the horse and Skinner crossed a leg over him.—The horse ran away with him and he came near never getting back.—

"There's no question that you can ride," said the officer smilingly, "but it is plain that you don't know how, at present."—Skinner learned.—He became Second Lieutenant in the Cavalry,—First Lieutenant in the Cavalry.—Now he is a Captain.—

A handsome chap!—A fine fellow.—His only trouble has been his habit of introspection—looking at a subject from too many angles to find out if he could do it according to conscience.—He has now found out,—I am told,—how to decide quickly,—intuitively,—what is right and to do it.—

If there is a lesson in Capt. Skinner's life—the young man may find it.—He will like it full as well as he will if I try to point it out for him.—But it is there.—IT IS A LESSON OF

Patience,—Courage,—Manliness,—Conscience and Fearlessness.—A. G. S.

BEING the WHOLE THING

Are you one of those business men who think that nobody else can do your work,—that the business would stop if you went away for a few days?—If so,—mend your ways.—If you are running the business that way, it is time for you to reorganize.—No business should be at the mercy of one man.—

Here is a true story.—When the United States Steel business was reorganized and every one in Pittsburgh became a millionaire over night,—by the formation of the gigantic United States Steel corporation,—it happened that there was a man in the open-hearth steel plant—who had been there many years—and who was a faithful and efficient boss of his expert and highly intricate work.—

In the sudden down-pour of riches,—the happy officials thought of this man,—and, seeking to reward him for his share in the success,—they called him into the office,—gave him a lot of money—and told him that he had earned a vacation.—"Go abroad a year,"—said they, "Your pay will go on as before

on a big advance.—Look over everything in steel - construction— and steel - manufacture. Have a good time.—Rest up and enjoy yourself."—

The man went away and stayed six months.—He had always been a worker;—never a loafer.—He had been a powerful,—dominant man who attended strictly to business every day of the year,—no vacations.—He became restless, in Europe;—he could stand it no longer;—he set sail for home and one day stepped into the main-office of the U. S. Steel Co.—and said: "How's things going?"—

The manager looked up and said, "Rotten.—Nobody here knows how to make openhearth steel as it should be made.—We have lost thousands and thousands of dollars by your absence."—

"Gimme my overalls!"—shouted the happy man,—"I'm going back to work in three minutes."—

"No, you are not,"—said the manager.—
"You are going back to Europe and stay
there for the rest of your vacation. No one
man is ever again going to put the U. S. Steel
Co. in the hole that you have left it in.—No
man ought to run a department so that his
assistant can't run it as well as he did.—The

measure of a man's efficiency in a department is results,—both when he is there and when he is not.—If his assistants can do the work better than he can, it goes to his credit;—he has picked the men;—he has taught them.—We want no segregation of expertness in any one individual.—In short,—the excellence of a manager, is the degree to which he can disappear for brief seasons and return to find it running smoothly.—We do not want the U. S. Steel Co. to shut down because,—some bad day,—you overeat and die."—

This does not mean that business-men are not to attend to business.—But what it does mean is that their efforts at running business must be directed in large affairs to man-selection—and the proper apportioning of responsibility upon them.—Hold them for results. Stand like Foch at the guidance and depend on men who shall have every opportunity to learn;—on them shall be,—under your larger guidance,—the issue of success.—

And bear this in mind, you will lose your punch if you permit yourself to go stale.—To this end, frequent change,—occasional variation of work,—average number of vacations—all these are essential.—A day or two in the open,—out where bigger things than have ever

developed in your factory are going on—out by the sea,—or on the mountain top—all of these are required.—Put the punch into your-self and into your assistants by consideration of the human need for rest and recreation.—And don't forget that you are not—or should not be indispensable to the degree that the business will suffer if you leave your desk for a few weeks in summer. Forget it.—You are not the whole business unless the business can do very nicely in your absence.—The system should be bigger than the individual.—A. G. S.

BENEVOLENCE of the SUPREME BEING

It is saying much for the benevolence of God,—to say, that a single world,—or a single system, is not enough for it—that it must have the spread of a mightier region,—on which it may pour forth a tire of exuberancy throughout all its provinces—that, as far as our vision can carry us, it has strewed immensity with the floating receptacles of life,—and has stretched over each of them the garniture of such a sky as mantles our own habitation.—Even from distances which are far beyond the reach of human eye,—the songs of gratitude and praise

may now be arising to the one God, who sits surrounded by the regards of his one great and universal family.—

Now, it is saving much for the benevolence of God.—to say that it sends forth these wide and distant emanations over the surface of a territory so ample—that the world we inhabit. —lying imbedded as it does,—amidst so much surrounding greatness,—shrinks into a point that to the universal eye might appear to be almost imperceptible.—But does it not add to the power and to the perfection of this universal eve,—that at the very moment it is taking a comprehensive survey of the vast,—it can fasten a steady and undistracted attention on each minute and separate portion of it;—that at the very moment it is looking at all worlds. it can look most pointedly and most intelligently to each of them:—that at the very moment it sweeps the field of immensity.—it can settle all the earnestness of its regards upon every distinct hand-breadth of that field: that at the very moment at which it embraces the totality of existence,—it can send a most thorough and penetrating inspection into each of its details, and into every one of its endless diversities?—You cannot fail to perceive how much this adds to the power of the all-seeing

eye.—Tell me,—then,—if it do not add as much perfection to the benevolence of God. that while it is expatiating over the vast field of created things.—there is not one portion of the field overlooked by it:—that while it scatters blessings over the whole of an infinite range,—it causes them to descend in a shower of plenty on every separate habitation:—that while his arm is underneath and round about all worlds,—he enters within the precincts of every one of them,—and gives a care and a tenderness to each individual of their teeming population.—Oh!—does not the God, who is said to be love.—shed over this attribute of his its finest illustration!—when.—while he sits in the highest heaven,—and pours out his fullness on the whole subordinate domain of nature and of providence,—he bows a pitying regard on the very humblest of his children,—AND SENDS HIS REVIVING SPIRIT INTO EVERY HEART, AND CHEERS BY HIS PRESENCE EVERY HOME, and provides for the wants of every family, and watches every sick bed,—and listens to the complaints of every sufferer;—and while,—by his wondrous mind,—the weight of universal government is borne,—is it not more wondrous and more excellent still.—that he feels for every sorrow, and has an ear open to every prayer!—Chalmers.

The SHRINES of HOME

Somewhere in every shrine of motherhood is a tiny pair of baby's first boots—crumpled little things,—wet with a mother's kisses.—

After that,—boys' boots especially—do not get much of a show as mementoes.—They come and go—the little affairs—clomping and making much weary noise,—but yet greatly missed after they are silent,—the boy in bed—or perhaps slipped out of his mother's arms to lie long and still in the trenches under the poppy-fields of France.—

What if they should come back and stand at attention along the old,—yellow-painted kitchen floor back of the stove again as they stood in days of yore,—all in a row.—Perhaps it would make the tears come and perhaps they would often be chased away by smiles.—And the girls' boots, too!—Good girls,—wayward girls,—sweet girls,—girls with flying hair,—girls with sunshine in their eyes.—Girls gone!—Girls that may come back!—

Here is a pair of old-fashioned copper-toed, —red-topped boots—with an inscription on the top—"For a Good Boy!"—Those were the boots that father took in hand forty years ago when he took his first-born son to the shoe-store for a first pair of kip winter boots.—Dad was

about as proud of them as the boy was.—He wanted to know of the dealer if they were "real kip."—"Yessir! Warranted."—Those boots came home and were worn with self-consciousness.—Men on the street would see them and suggest—"Seems to me I smell leather."—A boy would stand around waiting for comments on his new boots.—Cute little boots,—were they not—especially at night as soaked with the snow and wet by the mud they stood with little up-turned toes, back of the old kitchen stove.—

You can see the little chap going about in the morning with his fingers in the straps trying to get the shrunken things on.—He kicks on the base-boards and sweats at the straps.— And at the night-time, what a ceremonial pulling off the boots—bootjacks and small boys assisting.—It was some fun to back up to dad. -take his number ten between your legs,grab hold of heel and toe and have him propel you forward with a foot on the dome of your little trousers.—And the other ceremonial was getting out the tallow and the lamp-black and greasing them so that they would shine and resist the wet.—We were very dressy when we had half an inch of mutton tallow on top of the old kip boots.—

Do we live much outside of the children. after all?—something Tender,—something INDESCRIBABLY SWEET AND HOPEFUL INVESTS THE SOUL AS WE PONDER ON THE LIFE THAT Comes and the life that passes on thru childhood to eternal youth, elsewhere.—The little feet that ran at play.—that climbed into the lap of parenthood,—that stumbled often on the way,—that went vet more and more sedately as the years came and went and that, perchance.—have now turned with cadence of music and waving of flags to the call of high duty into the way that leads away from the village streets into great duty and perhaps the great sacrifice—what wonder that somehow they mean more to us than anything else, on the home-altars!-

Small wonder,—then,—that baby's first boots should be the material memento in so many homes.—In these hours, to take them out and recreate the dimpled little thing that snuggled under the heart; that had such fair blue eyes and such flaxen curls;—that grew up at last and went away forever,—is to live over again the elysium of young life in the shrine of the family.—And it is this vision that leads us to take oath that by sacrifice and by giving and by fighting—we shall forever maintain the

right to have these fair flowers of our lives come to full beauty and fruition;—in short, that government of the people,—by the people and for the people,—shall not perish from the earth.—A. G. S.

On the INTOLERABLE

An old Roman philosopher says,—"Don't take upon yourself the burden of your whole life at any one time,—nor form an image of all probable misfortunes.—In any emergency, ask yourself,—'What is there intolerable in this?"—

In other words, it will be better not to borrow trouble and not to look too far ahead into the darkness.—Better make the best of present conditions and confront the beast in the woods when you meet him.—He may not be there!—

Thus, many people are continually settling questions that never come up.—Conditions change and the issue you feared never materializes.—It is well to do the best you can for to-day and so order your life that you will be in good shape to meet all emergencies,—but as for conjuring up bogies—and fussing over things that you are not sure will happen—it is a waste of time.—

For instance,—I know a young person who upset two households over settling the question whether or not the two young people of those households should room together in college, a year or so hence.—It made a tremendous fuss.

—One of them failed to get into college.—Exit—problem!—

There is a whole lot of value in a certain form of procrastination.—I don't mean procrastination of immediate duty.—I urge rather the putting off of the absolute settlement of many things until they have to be settled.—I urge this,—for in reality,—prompt and sensible judgment is to be made only on the basis of existing circumstances,—not on the basis of circumstances as you fancy they may be at some future time.—Prompt judgment,—wise dealing are best made in the conditions of the moment,—but it is not possible to settle to-day a state of affairs that may exist next September.—Nevertheless,—many people seem to think they are obliged to attempt it.—A good many times you never have to settle it at all.— It settles itself.—It is like the tariff.—We have been trying to settle it for a hundred years.—Now it is settling itself on the fields of Flanders.—But don't cross bridges until you come to them.—

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And,—too,—when things are bad you ask yourself, "What is there intolerable about this?"—Is not that a fine line of advice for us to-day,—considering that it comes out of the ages.—Suppose that someone had told you five years ago that your little high school boy would be over in France,—in a mud-hole,—covered with vermin,—rats running after him,—knee deep in water and shot at with poison gases and shrapnel.—You simply could not have stood the thought.—Now, it is not intolerable,—is it?—

There once was a man whose motto was "It might have been worse."—Once a friend thought he would put this chap out of countenance.—He could not do it easily.—so he went to his fancy for material.—He accordingly pictured to this friend a terrible situation in which he had found him in a dream.—He had seen this hopeful friend in hell.—He was suffering every possible torture.—There was not a single loophole left for the poor fellow.—It was simply frightful.—It was a dream of terror.— "Now, sir, what do you say to that?"—asked the man triumphantly.—"O, it might have been worse." was the reply.—"Worse!" echoed the man.—"Worse! how could it have been worse?"—"Easily,"—replied the cheerful one.—"It might have been true."—

THAT'S THE WAY WITH MOST OF OUR TROUBLES.—THEY MIGHT HAVE BEEN TRUE AND THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN A LOT WORSE THAN IT NOW IS.—In suffering and in sorrow it is well to remember that we are living in the present moment—and that each moment that we pass brings us so much the nearer to the breaking of the day when the suffering shall have been assuaged and the sorrow have passed away.—A. G. S.

JUSTICE as a SOLVENT

We hear a good deal about a middle ground of unity between the warring "classes" of earth. But what are classes?—Are men and women to be classified because one man has been frugal,—thrifty,—careful of his health,—and self-educated as against the man who has chosen to do nothing all thru life but follow his passions,—his lusts,—his idleness,—all of the while grumbling at the man who has gone ahead in service and in accumulation?—Does a million of the improvident,—constitute a class against a million of the provident?—

Oppression is what we should get after in this world—and we should get after it by administration of every agency that will oblit-

erate it.—It is a sly fox and should be chased to its hole and there drowned out.—Special privileges are the mice that burrow into the comfort of a million homes.—Wrongful segregation of the common utilities of life should be hunted down and made to stop.—

When the public speaker.—therefore. talks about a middle-ground of meeting in the warfare of nations and classes within nations. -he talks about "Justice."-The Bolshevist scorns justice,—saying that it is merely a specious interpretation of power,—made by the man who got the jump on the other and said that this is just—and that unjust,—when as a matter of fact there is no moral law involved.— But justice is.—nevertheless.—the solvent and the ideal of human comfort and right.—Generally.—all human needs are spelled in three languages—physical,—mental,—spiritual,— Justice is the largest measure of human liberty consistent with the rights of others.—Those rights are not altogether in food, clothing and luxuries—they are to be found also in humanlove.—protection of children,—sanctity of home.—right to live on the face of the earth. satisfaction of the yearnings of spirit,—conscience,—religion,—soul.—

It is absurd,—therefore,—to go on fighting

for purely material things.—We cannot spell progress in dollars altogether—nor even in shorter hours of labor.—A world in which every man was earning a hundred dollars a week and working an hour a day, would starve to death.—The earth would laugh at him and sav. "Starve."—The edict of Eden was "by the sweat of thy brow shalt thou earn thy daily bread."—or words to that effect.—If the materialist.—who represented in the beginning a common ownership of land and a common right to land,—had put his labor into a field of corn, he would not care to share that labor and its productiveness with a man who sat along the edge of the furrow, with his arms about the neck of a numph and a bottle of wine in his stomach.—He would demand segregation of that corn-field against such non-producer. and thus would be set up again the "class."— He would say, "This is my field."—

There is no greater mistake than that comfort can come by less of honest work.—There is no truth in the notion that "labor" is with the hands alone.—Happiness is not alone in creature comforts.—Pleasure exacts the same toll out of life as does toil—only more swift and depleting.—Its opposite is pain.—The op-

Those who talk as tho this world were all of it and that what we can get here by theft,—by anarchy,—by the red flag,—is all to the good;—are making the terrible mistake of forgetting that we have three natures—physical,—intellectual and spiritual,—and that we all go hence to some reckoning.—If this were true—that all we get here by theft, anarchy and revolution, is all to the good—and that the end is oblivion—the world is a monstrous mistake.—This is the doctrine that sent Germany to the trenches and made of the world a shambles. This is the doctrine that our boys have been fighting.—A. G. S.

MAKING out your INCOME TAX

Figure it as you please,—no man can make out an income tax, the first time, and have it balance.—I have made out mine, recently, and know.—And to-day I cannot tell whether I owe the government \$872.19—or the government owes me \$94.—I am naturally inclined to the latter opinion;—but I can't tell until I get acquainted with the meaning of fiduciary and amortization—and can tell the difference between a tax-covenant bond and a non-resident alien.—

The point is right here in my income tax:—did I contribute under the vocational rehabilitization act—(see Sect. E)—"to an amount not in excess of 15 per cent of net income as computed without the benefit of this paragraph,—such contributions allowable as deductions only if verified by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary,"—or did I in the case of buildings—"allow for the amortization of the cost of such part of the buildings as had been borne by the tax-payer."—It seems to me as the I did, and then again when I wake up, it seems as the I did not.—

I amble along in my study of my income tax and it occurs to me that—"in cases under paragraph four of subdivision A and in case of any income from an estate during the period of administration or settlement permitted by subdivision (c)—to be deducted from the net income paid by fiduciary,—the tax shall not be paid by the fiduciary."—If this be so,—then it makes some difference.

I was working on my income tax yesterday all by myself—with no expert assistance, because I desired to find out how the matter struck a common, uneducated mind.—I figured persistently—and by adding in the amortizations—and subtracting the fiduciaries,

I found that under section (g) Part IV, title "Payment of Taxes,"—I owed the government \$872.19.—This was more than I expected, because I never had \$872.19 in all my life at one time.—The nearest I ever had was \$400, when I went on my wedding trip,—and I had it all in one-dollar bills, so as to impress my new wife with a plethoric bank-roll.—I may say in passing that her dream has been shattered.—

The perspiration gathered on my brow as I looked at the \$872.19 and I read,—"In any suit or action brought to enforce payment of taxes made due and payable by virtue of the provisions of this section, the finding of the commissioner.—made as hereinunder provided,—shall be for all purposes presumptive evidence of the taxpayer's design,—whether made after notice to the taxpayer or not."— Of course if the "finding" of the Commissioner included the finding also of the \$872.19,—it would be all right.—but farther on,—I notice that if neither of us can find it.—"all individuals, whether acting as lessees, or mortgagors of property, fiduciaries, employers, with interest, annuities, amortizations, compensations, emoluments or other gains— (not including gain in flesh)—who fail to pay,

—shall be sent to jail for a year and punished by paying a fine which floats before my dazed eyes so oddly that sometimes it looks like \$1,000 and sometimes like \$10,000.—A. G. S.

The UNIT of SERVICE

We have all lately been besought to do something for our city by way of standing for organization and service through such organization.

I wonder if all of us give sufficient consideration to the matter of "units" of service.— We agree that service is the thing.—This war has enforced it as it never was enforced before.—A pastor, who has been in the trenches. -has found that the secret of bravery is in "merely serving."——It seems to occupy the mind and uplift the soul.—One is never afraid, -while doing things for others.-If serving others is the thing greatly to be desired.—then it seems to be essential that we start something —as the saying is—start it now and start it at home.—It is elementally a duty.—He who fails in it may properly be called a slacker.—It is a duty to turn the hand to the plow in the furrow in our own field;—not be forever looking abroad for other fields that we fancy to be fairer and to need it more.—

You and I have seen men and women who were always wanting to do the big thing.— They went roaming abroad,—evangelizing the new world—while their own families went without decent food,—decent attention,— decent clothing and got along with no housekeeping whatsoever.—In olden days, they sewed for the heathen rather than patched the pants of the boys at home.—There are some of these people now.—They want to go over and win the war.—It is very commendable but they would probably be in the way.—Far better to stay at home,—sacrifice and give, and all the while try to make the home unit better and better.—After the war.—America is to be saved or lost by the condition of her cities and towns.—If municipal and town government is a failure,—then woe unto the state and nation!-

THE STATE IS NEVER TO BE Overlooked.—You are a unit and you must begin by consecrating a portion of yourself,—at least,—to the service of your immediate neighbors.—Your original duty is to be clean and decent yourself.—Then you must protect and educate and upbuild your children into manhood and womanhood in the true sense.—Service to neighbors

is the starting-point outside the home.—After that you serve the ward.—Then you serve the town or city.—If your town is clean and good and honest and loyal and devoted to the cause of the Folks by a concentration of such units as yourself,—and if there be other towns made up of units like you, then the state becomes honest,—loyal,—clean—and purely democratic.—

So I say it is impossible for any regeneration of statehood to come,—unless it begins with the home-unit.—You can't rebuild a people from the state Down.—It must come from the people Up.—We live on a certain street, in a certain neighborhood, in a certain town,—in a certain state, in a certain Nation.—If you and Tom and Dick and Harry all agree to be helpful,—generous,—altruistic citizens and to make your city a wonder-city in respect to beauty and decency and livableness—it will be helped and then the state and Nation, as well. It is service.—A. G. S.

PLAYING the GAME

Come on—be a good scout!—It costs nothing; pays dividends;—eases up on the friction of the world and fits you for heaven.—

It is hard for some people to be pleasant.—
We have to pity them.—They may have reasons for not being gentle and kindly and happy.
—They may have corns on their livers; or warts on their spleens.—Perhaps they make more bile than their circulatory organs can deliver. But there never was one of them who could not,—if he really wanted to do so,—become a tractable and decent companion.—Many of them succeed in going along in an apparently joyous way, when they feel otherwise.—

All honor to these heroes.—It is the chap who has been soured by some personal calamity and who goes into a hermitage of the soul and senses:—who crawls into an iron-clad tank and spouts flame at all creation, that we feel ought to be reached.—He ought to know that nothing can have happened to him that has not happened to others in former days.— Listen to what Euripides wrote, over two thousand years ago:—"Naught else to us hath vet been dealt, but that which daily, men have felt."—Suppose that a great calamity befell you.—It is not necessary to be specific, in illustration,—but let us say that it is something real, vital!—consider!—it is just what has HAPPENED TO OTHERS.—BE A GOOD SCOUT!— TAKE IT LIKE A MAN!-

Here is a true story about a remarkable man who died recently.—He was a master-mind.—His position in our social, intellectual and political order was high.—He had the keenest,—straightest-thinking brain that could possibly be given to man.—He was at the apex of a lifetime of hard work—just when he had a right to enjoy the rewards of patient study, the accumulated lore of law and practice.—He went to a specialist one day to find out what was the cause of his illness.—He received his death-warrant.—He had a hopeless case of cancer.—He might live a year,—or two.—He came home and went to work.—

And then ensued a peculiar case of loving fortitude.—He kept his hopelessness from his family.—Never a word said he.—A smile on his face,—a laugh on his lips,—a patient going about his work as long as strength lasted—and then a final illness in which he professed a persistent hope of recovery to the end.—And that is not all.—Certain members of his family knew the situation also.—Nothing was said about it.—The wife was the only one who was unaware of the fatality of the disease and two years of such comfort as hope could give her were the reward of this family—each keeping the supposed secret from the other—the son

believing that the father was uninformed of the nature of the disease—the father believing that the son did not know.—And so this group, maintaining an outward cheer, went on to the end.—You cannot beat it in all of the stories of heroism.—

So I say to others—whatever happens,—you can always play the game to the end.—You can always be considerate.—Nothing has happened to you that hath not happened to others.—Play the game!—Tune up!—Be a "good scout."—A. G. S.

WORD PAINTING regarding BUBB'S CREEK

From the discovered trail,—we descended through a little canyon to the level of Bubb's Creek,—and before the day died,—we were camped upon its banks—and what a glorious place it was!—No pen can describe it—for no mind could put its glories into language worthy of the theme.—We awoke from our dreams at dawn—and such a dawn!—

Over our heads streamed great pinions of light,—long shafts that shot their glory into the clouds,—crowning the heights beyond us in the West,—framing the headlands on whose

stony brows,—from Creation's dawn,—eternal snows had held their life against all the battles of the sun.—Here were fleecy clouds,—great continents of white,—loosely floated into the blue,—changing each moment like a drilling regiment on parade,—and as they shifted back took on new shapes and piled higher and higher into the heavens.—Thus the day opened,—disclosing the faces and ridges and near glories of the most wonderful groups of scenery in the heart of the High Sierras.

In the foreground,—a wild,—rock-walled valley.—rested the eves which grew dim at times with the endless vision of the mightier pageant in the heavens above.—Down through these sunless woods leaped and dashed the great creek.—almost a river in its volume of waters.—Just a mile away were three perpendicular cliffs.—Out over the skylined rim of these,—three great waterfalls,—not less than twenty-five feet in height,—sprang into the air and swaved like long ribbons into the valley below.—The distance was so great,—that, as these falls swayed in the breeze like delicate laces,—they lost the solidity of their first outleap and dissolved into mists.—Now and then the breeze swayed toward us and we caught the faint splash of waters, evanescent voices

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full of poetic suggestion. THE NIGHT FELL UPON US WITH A THRALL OF STARS,—THE GREAT WHITE MOON AND THE GLORY OF THE MOONLIGHT MOUNTAINS.—Anonymous.

The SPIRIT of the PHONOGRAPH

I am the spirit of the *Phonograph*.—Nothing brought to me escapes my grasp.—The babble of the child,—the note of the singer,—the voice of the orator,—the cry of the newborn babe,—the music of the masters interpreted by harmonious orchestras,—all come to me and rest in my charge and ward.—The thunder of cannon does not affright me,—nor the whispered word of love lose its record.—I speak all languages known to mankind.—I can reproduce the unsyllabled cries of the animal,—and the songs of the feathered tribe.—Nor does my memory fail me.—

To man come age and weakness;—come fading and still fading impressions of earlier days,—of loved forms and faces,—of dear voices whispering love's tenderest promises,—fading and still fading until all are forgotten,—and from palsied hands are dropped treasures once hugged to the heart's core.—To me there comes no weakness—no decrepitude.—

I am memory's eternal minister.—In me the vanished live again.—"I am the resurrection and the life."—HE WHO BREATHES TO ME HIS THOUGHTS,—HIS WISHES,—HIS EMOTIONS,—OR HIS PASSIONS, THOUGH HE WERE DEAD,—YET SHALL HE LIVE.—Anonymous.

A DESERTED GARDEN

Yesterday,—just when the sun was going down.—I went for a walk in the Deserted Garden.—It lies on the top of a quiet hill. which rises gently from a regular nest of busy streets.—There was a house there once—a great house with broad steps leading up from the street in a kind of arcade.—and there were porches and conservatories and sun-parlors. and inside, all the doors were made of rosewood. -and the handles of the doors were made of beaten silver.—The floors were of oak.—the ceilings were high and lofty and there were old-fashioned chandeliers with glittering prisms of glass that shone in a thousand colors when the gas was lit.—There were curious dressing-rooms—with quaint old bowls of marble inlaid in colors—all done in Florence far across the sea and brought with great care and expense out here to America.—

The story of the house shows long processions coming and going;—first a great merchant when there were gay parties that filled the old mansion to overflowing,—but illness and death came up the great steps and knocked with imperative knuckles upon the wide door of solid rosewood,—and the great merchant sold the house and went away.—Then followed a sea-captain,—but he died, and his family with him and others came—and again others.—

There were weddings in the great rooms and once,—they say, there were ten-thousand baby roses hung in garlands in the great sunporch,—that was when there was a christening.—Crepe was hung upon the silver door-knob—for Death would as soon turn a silver handle for his entry as one made of wood or porcelain, and then the old house was deserted.—

It stood in the midst of its wonderful gardens,—lonely and pathetic always—as if it were standing on tiptoes to look down the street and see when some of the family were coming home again—to open the dark shutters and throw wide the door—and let in the sunshine like a benediction.—The winds beat against the doors,—the fogs wrapped the old house in a gray veil spangled with silver—and

the rain streamed down upon the decaying roof,—and one day the place was sold—and it was told that the gardens were to be made over into city lots.—They tore down the old house,—sold the rosewood doors—and the old-fashioned mirrors and the marble mantels that had gone out of fashion.—They cut down the laurel trees— and burned the jasmine and the fuchsias and heliotrope to the ground.—But the property is not sold after all—not yet.—

The heliotrope has sprung up again,—the geraniums have made themselves into a hedge,—the honeysuckle and sweet-alyssum cling together and run along the walk till they are like a fragrant carpet of white and purple,—and everywhere the roses burgeon and bloom in riotous perfumery.—

THE BLOSSOMS SEEM TO SAY "THERE IS NO DEATH."—Afar they wander, some of them in strange lands beyond the alien seas,—and some in great cities to the East,—and some are old that once were young, and some perhaps are sad that once were gay,—but in that old garden they once knew and loved,—the roses are blooming as fresh as if there was no such things as death or change in all the earth.—'Annie Laurie.

PART V

NATIONAL FORUM SPEECHES

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"READJUSTMENT"

By Warren G. Harding

Record Number N. F. 21

MY COUNTRYMEN: There isn't anything the matter with world civilization, except that humanity is viewing it through a vision impaired in a cataclysmal war. Poise has been disturbed and nerves have been racked, and fever has rendered men irrational; sometimes there have been draughts upon the dangerous cup of barbarity and men have wandered far from safe paths, but the human procession still marches in the right direction.

Here in the United States, we feel the reflex, rather than the hurting wound, but we still think straight, and we mean to act straight, and mean to hold firmly to all that was ours when war involved us, and seek the higher attainments which are the only compensations that so supreme a tragedy may give mankind.

America's present need is not heroics, but healing; not nostrums but normalcy; not revolution, but restoration; not agitation, but adjustment; not experiment, but equipose; not submergence in internationality, but sustainment in triumphant nationality.

It is one thing to battle successfully against world domination by a military autocracy, because the infinite God never intended such a program, but it is quite another thing to revise human nature and suspend the fundamental laws of life and all of life's acquirements.

The world called for peace. America demands peace, formal as well as actual, and means to have it so we may set our own house in order. We challenged the proposal that an armed autocrat should dominate the world, and choose for ourselves to cling to the representative democracy which made us what we are.

This republic has its ample tasks. If we put an end to false economics which lure humanity to utter chaos, ours will be the commanding example of world leadership today. If we can prove a representative popular government under which a citizenship seeks what it may do for the government and country rather than what the government may do the

individuals, we shall do more to make democracy safe for the world than all the armed conflict ever recorded. The world needs to be reminded that all human ills are not curable by legislation, and that quantity of statutory enactment and excess of government offer no substitute for quality of citizenship.

The problems of maintained civilization are not to be solved by a transfer of responsibility from citizenship to government, and no eminent page in history was ever drafted to the standards of mediocrity. More, no government is worthy of the name which is directed by influence on the one hand, or moved by intimidation on the other.

My best judgment of America's needs is to steady down, to get squarely on our feet, to make sure of the right path. Let's get out of the fevered delirium of war, with the hallucination that all the money in the world is to be made in the madness of war and the wildness of its aftermath. Let us stop to consider that tranquility at home is more precious than peace abroad, and that both our good fortune and our eminence are dependent on the normal forward stride of all the American people.

We want to go on, secure and unafraid, holding fast to the American inheritance, and

confident of the supreme American fulfillment.

"An ASSOCIATON of NATIONS" By Warren G. Harding

Record Number N. F. 23

We believe the unspeakable sorrows, the immeasurable sacrifices, the awakened convictions and the aspiring conscience of human kind must commit the nations of the earth to a new and better relationship. It need not be discussed now what motives plunged the world into war, it need not be inquired whether we asked the sons of this Republic to defend our national rights, as I believe we did, or to purge the old world of the accumulated ills of rivalry and greed, and sacrifices will be in vain if we cannot acclaim a new order, with added security to civilization and peace maintained.

One may readily sense the conscience of our America. I am sure I understand the purpose of the dominant group of the Senate. We were not seeking to defeat a world aspiration, we were resolved to safeguard America. We were resolved then, even as we are today, and will be tomorrow, to preserve this free and independent Republic. Let those now respon-

sible, or seeking responsibility, propose the surrender, whether with interpretations, apologies, or reluctant reservations—from which our rights are to be omitted—we welcome the referendum to the American people on the preservation of America, and the Republican party pledges its defense of the preserved inheritance of national freedom.

In the call of the conscience of America is peace, peace that closes the gaping wound of world war, and silences the impassioned voices of international envy and distrust. Heeding this call and knowing as I do the disposition of Congress, I promise you formal and effective peace so quickly as a Republican Congress can pass its declaration for a Republican executive to sign.

Then we may turn to our readjustment at home and proceed deliberately and reflectively to that hoped-for world relationship which shall satisfy both conscience and aspirations and still hold us free from menacing involvement.

I can hear in the call of conscience an insistent voice for the largely reduced armaments throughout the world, with attending reduction of burdens upon peace-loving humanity. We wish to give of American influence and example; we must give of American leadership to that invaluable accomplishment.

I can speak unreservedly of the American aspirations and the Republican committal for an association of nations, co-operating in sublime accord, to attain and preserve peace through justice rather than force, determined to add to security through international law, so clarified that no misconstruction can be possible without affronting world honor.

It is better to be the free and disinterested agent of international justice and advancing civilization, with the covenant of conscience, than to be shackled by a written compact which surrenders our freedom of action and gives a military alliance the right to proclaim America's duty to the world.

No surrender of rights to a world council or its military alliance, no assumed mandatory, however appealing, ever shall summon the sons of this Republic to war. Their supreme sacrifice shall only be asked for America and its call of honor. There is a sanctity in that right which we will not surrender to any other power on earth.

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"LEAGUE of NATIONS" By Warren G. Harding Record Number N. F. 5

Nationality is the call of the heart of liberated people, and the dream of those to whom freedom becomes an undying cause. It's the guiding light, the song, the prayer, the consummation for our own people, although we were never assured indissoluble union until the civil war was fought. Can any red blooded American consent now, when we have come to understand its priceless value, to merge our nationality into internationality, merely because brotherhood and fraternity and fellowship and peace are soothing and appealing terms?

Out of the ferment, the turmoil, the debts and echoing sorrows; out of the appalling waste and far reaching disorder; out of threats against orderly government and the assaults on our present day civilization, I think I can see the opening way for America. We must preserve the inheritance and cling to just government.

We do not need and we do not mean to live within and for ourselves alone, but we do mean to hold our ideals safe from foreign incursion. We have commanded respect and confidence—— commanded them in the friendships and the associations of peace, commanded them in the conflicts and comradeships of war. It's easily possible to hold the world's high estimate through righteous relationships. If our ideals of civilization are the best in the world, and I proudly believe that they are, then we ought to send the American torchbearers leading on to fulfillment. America aided in saving civilization; Americans will not fail civilization in the deliberate advancements of peace. We are willing to give, but we resent demands.

I do not believe, Senators, that it is going to break the heart of the world to make this covenant right, or at least free it from perils which would endanger our own independence. But it were better to witness this rhetorical tragedy than to destroy the soul of this great Republic.

It is a very alluring thing, Senators, to do what the world has never done before. No republic has permanently survived. They have flamed, illumined and advanced the world and then faded or crumbled. I want to be a contributor to the abiding republic. None of us today can be sure that it shall abide for generations to come, but we may hold it unshaken for our day and pass it on to the next generation preserved in its integrity. This is the un-

ending call of duty to men of every civilization; it is distinctly the American call to duty to every man who believes that we have come the nearest to dependable popular government the world has yet witnessed.

Let us have our America walking erect, unafraid, concerned about its rights and ready to defend them, proud of its citizens and committed to defend them, and sure of its ideals and strong to support them.

We are a hundred millions or more today and if the miracle of the first century of national life may be repeated in the second the millions of today will be the myriads of the future.

I like to think, sirs, that out of the discovered soul of the republic and throughout preservative actions in this supreme moment of human progress we shall hold the word "American" the proudest boast of citizenship in all the world.

AMERICANISM

By Warren G. Harding
Record Number N. F. 16

The first flaming torch of Americanism was lighted in framing the Federal Constitution in 1787. The Pilgrims signed their simple

and majestic covenant a full century and a half before and set aflame their beacon of liberty on the coast of Massachusetts. Other pioneers of new world freedom were rearing their new standards of liberty from Jamestown to Plymouth for five generations before Lexington and Concord heralded a new era. It was all American in the destined result, yet all of it lacked the soul of nationality. In simple truth, there was no thought of nationality in the Revolution for American independence. The Colonists were resisting a wrong and freedom was their solace. Once it was achieved nationality was the only agency suited to its preservation.

Americanism really began when robed in nationality. The American Republic began the blazed trail of representative popular government. Representative democracy was proclaimed the safe agency of highest human freedom. America headed the forward procession of civil, human and religious liberty which ultimately will effect the liberation of all mankind.

The Federal Constitution is the very base of all Americanism, the Ark of the Covenant of American liberty, the very temple of equal rights. The Constitution does abide and ever will, so long as the Republic survives. Let us hesitate before we surrender the nationality which is the very soul of highest Americanism. This Republic has never failed humanity nor endangered civilization.

We have been tardy sometimes, like when we were proclaiming democracy and neutrality while we ignored our national rights, but the ultimate and helpful part we played in the great war will be the pride of Americans so long as the world recites the story.

We do not mean to hold aloof, we choose no isolation, we shun no duty. I like to rejoice in an American conscience and in a big conception of our obligations to liberty, justice and civilization. Ave. and more. I like to think of Columbia's helping hand to new republics which are seeking the blessings portrayed in our example. But I have a confidence in our America that requires no council of foreign powers to point the way of American duty. We wish to counsel, cooperate and contribute, but we arrogate to ourselves the keeping of the American conscience and every concept of our moral obligations. It is fine to idealize, but it is very practical to make sure our own house is in perfect order before we attempt the miracle of old-world stabilization.

Call it the selfishness of nationality if you

will, I think it an inspiration to patriotic devotion—

To safeguard America first,
To stabilize America first,
To prosper America first,
To think of America first,
To exalt America first,
To live for and revere America first.

Let the internationalist dream and the Bolshevist destroy. God pity him "for whom no minstrel raptures swell." In the spirit of the Republic we proclaim Americanism and acclaim America!

"AMERICANISM" By Franklin D. Roosevelt

Record Number N. F. 20

Much has been said of late about good Americanism; it is right that it should have been said, and it is right that every chance should be seized to repeat the basic truths underlying our prosperity and our national existence itself. But it would be an unusual and much to be wished for thing if in the coming presentation of the issues a new note of fairness and generosity could be struck. Littleness, meanness, falsehoods, extreme par-

tisanship—these are not in accord with the American spirit. I like to think that in this respect also we are moving forward.

Let me be concrete. We have passed through a great war—an armed conflict which called forth every resource, every effort on the part of the whole population. The war was won by Republicans as well as Democrats. Men of all parties served in our armed forces. Men and women of all parties served the government at home. They strived honestly as Americans, not as mere partisans. Republicans and Democrats alike worked in administrative positions, raised Liberty Loans, administered food control, toiled in munition plants, built ships. The war was brought to a successful conclusion by a glorious common effort -one which in the years to come will be a national pride. I feel very certain that our children will come to regard our participation as memorable for the broad honor and honesty which marked it, for the absence of unfortunate scandals, and for the splendid unity of action which extended to every portion of the It would, therefore, not only serve little purpose, but would conform ill to our high standards if any person should in the heat of political rivalry seek to manufacture political advantage out of a nationally conducted struggle. We have seen things on too large a scale to listen at this day to trifles, or to believe in the adequacy of trifling men.

It is that same vision of the bigger outlook of national and individual life which will, I am sure, lead us to demand that the men who represent us in the affairs of our government shall be more than politicians—that they shall subordinate always the individual ambition and the party advantage to the national good. In the long run the true statesmen and the honestly forward-looking party will prevail.

Even as the Nation entered the war for an idea, so it has emerged from the war with the determination that this ideal shall not die. It is idle to pretend that the Declaration of April 6th, 1917, was a mere act of self defense, or that the object of our participation was solely to defeat the military power of the Central Nations of Europe. We knew then as a Nation, even as we know today, that success on land and sea could be but half a victory. The other half is not won yet. The cry of the French at Verdun: "They shall not pass"; and the cheer of our own men in the Argonne: "We shall go through"—these were essential glories. Yet they are incomplete.

To them we must write the binding finish: "It shall not occur again." For America demands that the crime of war shall cease.

"REVISE TAXES" By Wm. G. McAdoo

Record Number N. F. 2

Before the President called the extra session of Congress last May, Republican leaders assured the country that if the President would call them together in Washington, they would settle the railroad problem, the merchant marine question, revise the tax laws, reduce the cost of living, and enact the great constructive legislation which the problems resulting from the war made imperative.

The President obligingly called the extra session, and urged a revision of the war taxes. The Democrats had to put on these taxes to lick the Kaiser. Our gallant doughboys having finished that job, war taxes should now be revised. Has the Republican majority done anything to reduce taxes or to solve any of the great war problems? No. They have simply lain down on the job. If the Republican majority is unable to deal with the tax and war problems, why is it not honest enough to tell

the people so? Under the Constitution, every bill to reduce or revise or impose taxation must originate in the House of Representatives, which is absolutely in the hands of the Republican majority. The responsibility for neglecting to relieve the people of some of these great war burdens rests upon the Republican majority. The President can only recommend. The Republican Congress must legislate to give relief.

The question of taxation touches every home in America. There is no man, woman or child who can escape the relentless tax law. It reaches into every pocket and extracts its share, whether the pocket belongs to the rich or to the poor. While the poor do not pay these taxes directly, they do pay them indirectly because the taxes increase the price of every ounce of food, every pound of coal. every piece of clothing and every article consumed or used by the people. Between the high cost of living and the high load of taxation, the masses are carrying a heavy burden these days, and they have a right to demand that the Republican majority in Congress carry out its promises to give relief.

Instead of trying to reduce the burden of taxation, the Republican Senate has spent its

whole time trying to defeat the plan for a League of Nations, which if organized, will cut down and limit military armaments among all the great powers and will make war remote if not impossible.

If the Senate destroys the League of Nations, then the United States must begin at once to arm on a greater scale than any other nation in the world, because we must be strong enough to meet all comers from the Atlantic, the Pacific or *any* other quarter.

This means a Navy in the Atlantic big enough to overcome the combined Navies of at least three European powers; it means a Navy in the Pacific bigger than Japan's; it means the greatest standing Army we have ever had; and it means possibly universal military training of a million young men every year. This will add at least two billion dollars per annum to our present tax burdens.

Do we want to promote or prevent human slaughter in the future? Do we want to increase or reduce taxation? If we want to promote human slaughter and increase taxation we should defeat the League of Nations. Our war preparations will then necessitate increasing present income taxes at least 50% per annum, to say nothing of a general increase

in every form of Federal taxation. Let us understand the consequences of our entrance on a career of militarism.

If we must abandon the glorious ideals of peace, for which this nation has always stood, we must do so with full knowledge of the fact that the alternative is wholesale preparation for war and the enthronement of armed force as the arbiter of America's destiny and of the world's future fate.

"DEMOCRATIC ACHIEVEMENT"

By Champ Clark

Record Number N. F. 18

In the impending campaign we stand proudly on our splendid and unimpeachable record in peace and in war. Anybody save a stark idiot can successfully uphold that record from Alpha to Omega. It is wise, progressive and patriotic. It has raised our country to an exceeding height of glory abroad and to unprecedented prosperity at home. We confidently offer that record to the American people as an earnest of what we will do if continued in power.

Nineteen hundred years ago, by the highest authority, a rule was prescribed for measuring men and things—"Judge a tree by its fruits"—a good rule, a fair rule. We are willing to be measured by that standard. No brave man, no courageous party will shrink from such a test. We cheerfully and serenely invite it.

In his spectacular oration nominating General Grant at Chicago in 1880, Roscoe Conkling said:

"General Grant's fame rests not alone on things written and things said, but also upon the arduous greatness of things done."

That sentence fits the Democrats like a glove. While in seven years since we came into the possession of the executive and legislative branches of the Government, Democrats have said and written many fine things, our chief claim to the gratitude of our countrymen rests upon "the arduous greatness of things done," both at home and abroad.

For years and years our Republican friends asserted that we did not have the capacity for constructive legislation. They admitted that in the days of Thomas Jefferson and Andrew Jackson we did some notable things; but that we have lost the power of initiative and even if entrusted with power we could accomplish nothing. Unfortunately, for a long time the people believed this malicious gibberish, but

in 1912 the American people gave the Democrats another opportunity and under the leadership of Woodrow Wilson we swept the country from sea to sea. At the end of that historic contest we had the Presidency, the Senate by a working majority, and the House by an overwhelming majority. It is only sober truth to say that during the six years in which we controlled both the executive and legislative branches that we put more constructive legislation on the statute books than was put upon the statute books in twenty-four years of Republican control.

A Democratic administration participated gloriously in the most colossal war of all time, and our brave soldiers acting under direction of a Democratic administration brought that war to a successful and glorious conclusion.

Surely the things which we accomplish entitle Democrats to a long lease of power. The outstanding feature of our six years' work is that we accomplished so much in so short a time.

We did it by good team work. The Democratic Congress did its duty. The great Democratic President, Woodrow Wilson, did his duty and on the glorious record thus made we confidently appeal to the voters of the land.

DEMOCRATS in the WORLD WAR A. Mitchell Palmer

Record Number N. F. 4

I do not put our victory in the world war in the proud list of Democratic achievements. Though fought under the leadership of the greatest Democrat since Jefferson and although without the support of his party in every crisis it could not have been brought to a successful and triumphant conclusion. It was the people's war in a peculiar sense.

The patriotic support given the government during the war by men of every political faith proves that passionate love of country and intense devotion to our institutions are part of the creed of every political party in the nation, but I do insist that we shall hear no more of the old slander that the Democratic party can not be trusted to lead in a great war. We may give to individual Americans the full measure of praise which a grateful Republic will always shower upon the men who sprang to the defense with unprecedented valor and unhesitating devotion to its Christian cause, but the impartial historian must and will write it down as an incontrovertible fact that the party in power rose with unstinted enthusiasm to the needs of the hour while its leadership translated the will and spirit of the American people into decisive and courageous action without which ignominious failure would have been our portion in the Armageddon of the nations. It has never been any reflection upon the courage or the patriotism of the millions of Northern Democrats who followed his leadership.

For history to accord to Abraham Lincoln and the party which he led the full measure of credit which was their due for saving the Union in the dark days of the Civil War: the great Empire on whose dominions the sun never sets gratefully acknowledges that success could not have come to British arms without the superb political leadership of that masterful little Welshman, David Lloyd George; while France rescued from the very jaws of death by the courage of her sons whose blood has colored all the rivers that wash her sunny slopes does honor to the skill of her generals, the courage of her men, and the sacrifice of her women, by acknowledging the chief debt to be due the Old Tiger of France, Clemenceau. Must we forever sit silent under partisan charges of waste, extravagance, or mistake. many of them the necessary accompaniments of war without any credit for the great and overwhelming results which we achieved? Let history begin to tell the truth now, and it will sav that the common courage of our men and women, the combined efforts of capital and labor, the joint supports of city and farm, all were welded into an irresistible force by a leadership never surpassed in the history of parliamentary government and that was the leadership which the Democratic party gave to the world when it joined its practical achievements with its high ideals behind Woodrow Wilson. The hard won victory of American arms will prove but a hollow and unavailing triumph if we do not make certain that out of it shall come a greater liberty, a better America, and a surer peace. These three and the greatest of these is peace; for peace means liberty for everyone, peace means America forevermore, and peace means the bright noon-tide of that gloriour day which was ushered in by the Master when He blessed a weary world, "My peace I give unto you. My peace I leave with vou."

"DEMOCRACY'S ACHIEVEMENTS"

By Robert L. Owen

Record Number N.F. 18

True Democracy is a religion. It is not completely monopolized by the members of the Democratic party. Many of its loval disciples find themselves affiliated with other parties. Democracy truly believes in the rule of the people, in their wisdom, in their common sense, in their common honesty, in their justice, in their patience and steadfastness, in their right and ability to government themselves. It thinks in terms of the greatest good to the greatest number. Its greatest patron saint was Thomas Jefferson, who stood for freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of opportunity, the education of the people by free schools, the right of every citizen to vote.

Of these principles Jeffersonian Democracy took control of the Government in 1801 and held it for many decades. When the party organization fell under the control of those who believed in human slavery, it passed from power by a revolt of Jeffersonian Democrats, who would not stand for human slavery. They organized a new party and took the name which the followers of Jefferson had employed in 1800, calling themselves Republicans.

When the wise and kind Lincoln, on the field of Gettysburg, prayed that the Government of the people, for the people, and by the people should not perish from the earth, he voiced the spirit of true democracy throughout the world.

When the Republican Party got control of the Government during the Civil War, every selfish interest that wished to use the power of government for private advantage gradually attached itself to the Republican Party, courted its leaders, became busy in its organization, contributed to its elections, promoted its nominations, and steadily obtained an increasing influence in its management.

When in 1912 after many years, it became obvious that an invisible government of organized commercial and financial selfishness had gained control of the organization of the Republican Party the people of the United States placed in power the regenerated Democratic Party and magnificently the Democratic party has responded to the trust. It has passed fifty great progressive Acts such as the Federal Reserve Act, the Farm Loan Act, the Good Roads Act, the Agricultural Extension

Act, Vocational Instruction, etc. It has organized Dept. Labor, the Federal Trade Commission, the Tariff Commission, and shown itself by the overwhelming evidence of concrete acts the one great liberal, progressive and truly Democratic Party.

It organized the country for war, passed the great war measures and won the greatest war in history and saved the liberties and civilization of the world.

It took the country in a period of serious depression in 1913—carried it successfully through the great World War and after seven years the country is in a condition of the greatest prosperity. Bank resources have increased from 25 billions to 48 billions, everybody is busy, wages high, trains crowded and hotels overflowing.

Who can have the impudence to question the "Americanism" of the Democratic Party in all these great accomplishments? What is "Americanisms" if it be not the great policies which the Democratic Party have put into execution when it stamped out sedition at home, whipped the Hun abroad, and made America the commercial, financial, and moral leader of all the world, so that all great nations do homage to the United States, and small nations

when they bend their heads in prayer, pray God to bless the American people.

But my countrymen, we are face to face with the immediate future. It is not enough to say what we have done; it is of the greatest importance to sav what we shall do. The spirit and purpose, the vision and constructive genius which the Democratic Party has exhibited in the last six years, justifies the faith that this great party can be better relied on than any other party to solve the reconstruction problems following the war.

PREVENTION of WAR By James M. Cox

Record Number N. F. 26

These are fateful times. Organized government has a definite duty all over the world. The house of civilization is to be put in order. The supreme issue of the century is before us and the nation that halts and delays is playing with fire. The finest impulses of humanity, rising above national lines, merely seek to make another horrible war impossible. Under the old order of international anarchy, war came over night and the world was on fire before we knew it. It sickens our senses to think of another. We saw one conflict into which modern science brought new forms of destruction in great guns, submarines, airships and poison gases. It is no secret that our chemists had perfected, when the contest came to a precipitate close, gases so deadly that whole cities could be wiped out, armies destroyed, and the crews of battleships smothered. The public prints are filled with the opinions of military men that in future wars the method, more effective than gases or bombs, will be the employment of germs of disease, carrying pestilence and destruction. Any nation prepared under these conditions, as Germany was equipped in 1914, could conquer the world in a year.

It is planned now to make this impossible. A definite plan has been agreed upon. The League of Nations is in operation, I am in favor of going in.

This is the supreme test. Shall we act in concert with the free nations of the world in setting up a tribunal which will avert wars in the future? This question must be met and answered honestly and not by equivocation. We must say in language which the world can understand, whether we shall participate in the advancement of a cause which has in it the

hope of peace and world reconstruction or whether we propose to follow the old paths trod by the nations of Europe; paths which always led to fields of blood.

We must say in language which our own people can understand, whether we shall unite with our former Allies to make effective the only plan of peace and reconstruction which has been formulated or whether we propose to play a lone hand in the world and guard our isolation with a huge army and an ever increasing navy, with all the consequent burdens of taxation. I repeat: I am in favor of going in.

REPUBLICANS and DEMOCRATS By Samuel Gompers

The hopes and the truths out of which our great nation had its birth must be sacredly upheld in the coming election by the manhood and the womanhood of our Republic. The one supreme issue is whether liberty shall live, whether our progress towards a higher and better democracy shall be turned into a channel leading to autocracy.

Shall reactionary forces that are seeking to take away the liberties of the people be entrenched so securely that it would require half a century to restore them?

The voters must determine whom to support and whom to defeat by comparisons of not only the platforms upon which the candidates stand but upon their individual records on all matters of vital interest to our citizenship.

The Republican platform is defiant in its defense of the enemies of labor and of the people. While ignoring the profiteer it proposes an industrial enslavement and an abrogation of rights as precious as life itself. In it the great underlying principles of the rights and interests of the masses of our people and for their advancement and well being find no The heritage of the Republican response. party left by Abraham Lincoln, the great liberator, is abandoned in a platform which embraces every opportunity to strengthen the concepts of tyranny and injustice. It leaves no doubt where the forces of greed and plunder, the profiteers and the autocrats of our political and industrial life will concentrate their support.

But more to be feared is the attitude of the Republican nominee toward beneficial legislation. In his record there is not one constructive measure for the protection and the promotion of the rights and interests of the masses of our people. Of not one great measure has he been the author. Besides his mental attitude is linked with days gone by. No man as President would be more adapted and willing to carry out the policies of the reactionaries and the Republican bosses who put over his nomination in a hotel-room conference at 2 A. M.

The Democratic platform marks a measure of progress not found in the Republican. Its declarations more nearly approach the principles of human rights.

But more than that Governor Cox, the candidate upon that platform has shown himself possessed of a fuller understanding of the needs of the people, a readier response to their needs and proposals and a broader statesmanship in his public discussions of the problems of the industrial world.

Therefore there can be but one conclusion based upon a careful and impartial survey of the actions and declarations of the two candidates.

We dare make no mistake about what is involved in this campaign. We dare not undervalue the solemn obligation. We must bring decisive defeat to opponents of human

progress and crown with victory the candidacies of those who stand as advocates and defenders of liberty and justice and progress.

CONFIDENCE in GOVERNMENT

By James M. Cox

Record Number N. F. 19

We desire industrial peace. We want our people to have an abiding confidence in government, but no readjustment made under reactionary auspices will carry with it the confidence of the country. If we were asked to name in these trying days at the first essential overshadowing every other consideration, the response would be confidence in government. It would be nothing less than a calamity if the next administration were elected under corrupt auspices. There is unrest in the country; our people have passed through a trying experience. The European war before it engulfed us, aroused every racial throb in a nation of composite citizenship. The conflict in which we participated carried anxieties into every community and thousands upon thousands of homes were touched by tragedy. The inconveniences incident to the war have been disquieting; the failure of the Republican ľ

Congress to repeal annoying taxes has added to our troubles. The natural impulse is to forget the past, to develop new interests, to create a refreshened and refreshing atmosphere in life. We want to forget war and be free from the troubling thought of its possibility in. the future. We want the dawn and the dews of a new morning. We want happiness in the land, the feeling that the square deal among men and government is not to be interfered with by a purchased preference. We want a change from the old world of vesterday where international intrigue, made the people mere pawns on the chessboard of war. We want a change from the old, industrial world where the man who toiled was assured "a full dinner pail" as his only lot and portion.

But how are we to make the change? Which way shall we go? We stand at the forks of the road and must choose which way to follow. One leads to a high citizenship, a freer expression of the individual, and a fuller life for all. The other leads to reaction, the rule of the few over the many and the restrictions of the average man's chances to grow upward. Cunning devices backed by unlimited prodigal expenditures will be used to confuse and to lure. But have an abiding faith that the pitfalls will be avoided and the right road chosen.

The leaders opposed to democracy promise to put the country "back to normal." This can only mean the so-called normal of former reactionary administration, the outstanding feature of which was a pittance for farm produce and a small wage for a long day of labor. My vision does not turn backward to the "normal" desire by the senatorial oligarchy, but to a future in which all shall have a normal opportunity to cultivate a higher stature amidst better environment than that of the past. Our view is toward the sunrise with its progress and its eternal promise of better things. The opposition stands in the skyline of the setting sun, looking backward, to the old days of reaction.

AMERICA SAFE

By James W. Gerard

Record Number N. F. 10

If any man is afraid of Bolshevism in America I know how to cure him. Let him visit a few schools. Then let him talk to a few farmers. He will quickly discover that good old-fashioned Americanism is not dead. The farmer, in spite of the fact that he does not get a fair return on the product of his labor, is

faithful to the principles on which this country was founded. School children are still taught the fundamentals of constitutional democracy. As long as this is so we are far from danger of revolution.

Our national life is disturbed because of the high cost of living, industrial unrest, and political conflict. These are temporary problems, if they are handled intelligently.

Anybody has the right to advocate anything whatever except a forcible change in our government by violent means. I know of no greater safety valve than to let a man talk. The dangerous ones are the ones who don't do any talking—at least in public.

The unrest in this country today is psychic as well as industrial. We are in a fair way to cure the latter problem by creating a practical partnership between capital and labor. Both sides realize that there is greater profit in working together than in fighting. Labor will always get more than it has in the past, and that is as it should be. Labor unions are here to stay. The right of collective bargaining and the right to strike to enforce demand must in the future, be taken for granted. Practically everything which labor has won in the last half century has been secured through unions,

which have not been conciliatory, but have fought for what they got. You cannot make men work by threatening them with jail. You cannot govern the country industrially by injunction.

The high cost of living is due to our wasteful system of distribution. Food products pass through too many hands between the farmer and the consumer. Every unnecessary middleman should be eliminated. No one should be allowed to take a profit and thereby increase the cost of a product unless he performs a legitimate service to the consumer.

Another cause for the high cost of living is our present taxation system. The excess profits tax places every business man under an artificial and illogical restraint. If you have a piece of property which has increased in value, and sell it, you are taxed on the profits, with the result that no business man closes any sale nowadays if he can avoid it. Business ought to be as easy to transact as possible, but the present condition is just the reverse. Why should a man embark on a new enterprise today? If he does so and loses, he loses; if he wins, the government takes nearly all of it away from him, and so he loses anyhow.

In the coming conflict with the Bolsheviki,

the allies need the aid of Germany, which is in a position, geographically and otherwise, to be a strong bulwark against the Russian hordes. It would be a great mistake to destroy Germany. That she should be punished for inaugurating the war goes without saying, but punishment should not mean annihilation.

The Democratic party in office has been a party of achievement. Victory will be ours in the coming election if we will firmly uphold our ideals. Let us restore good will among the nations of the earth and advocate freedom for subject people everywhere. Let us stand for freedom of business and for the freedom and happiness of American homes.

"THE WORLD WAR"

By James M. Cox

Record Number N. F. 24

A world war has been fought, historic, unprecedented. For many, many months, civilization hung in the balance. In the despair of dark hours it seemed as though a world dictator was inevitable and that henceforth men and women who had lived in freedom would stand at attention, in the face of the drawn sword of military autocracy. The very soul

of America was touched as never before with a fear that our liberties were to be taken away. What America did, needs no reiteration here. It is known of all men. History will acclaim it—poets will find it an inspiration throughout the ages, and yet there is not a line in the Republican platform that breathes an emotion of pride, or recites our national achievement. In fact, if a man from Mars were to depend upon the Republican platform or its spoken interpretation, by the candidate of that party, as his first means of information, he would not find a syllable telling him that the war had been won, and that America had saved the world. How ungenerous, how ungracious all of this is; how unfair that a mere group of leaders should so demean themselves in the name of the party of Lincoln and McKinlev and Roosevelt.

The discourtesy to President Wilson is an affair of intrigue. History will make it odious. As well might it be directed at a wounded soldier of the war. One fell in the trench; the strength of the other was broken in the enormous labors of his office. But others were ignored—the men and women who labored at home with an industry and a skill that words cannot recount! What of the hands that

moved the lathes by day and the needle by night? What of the organizations, superbly effected, that conserved food and fed the world—that carried nourishment to the very front trench in the face of hell's furies—that nursed the wounded back to life—that buried the dead in the dark shelter of the night—that inspired business men and artisans of all parties to work in harmony? What of the millions of men, women and children of all creeds. religious and otherwise, who stood in the ranks as firm as soldiers overseas, undivided by things they once quarreled about. What of the government itself—confirming the faith of our fathers as sufficient to meet the storms of time? Why the sneer at labor with the veiled charge that it was a mere slacker? Republican leaders who have taken charge of their party and nominated its candidates, are no more possessed of the spirit of the hour than they were in 1912 when they precipitated a revolution within the rank and file of a great organization. If further proof were needed, the action of the present congress supplied it. Not a constructive law can be cited. Money and time were wasted in seeking to make a military triumph an odious chapter in history—vet it is significant that after two years of sleuthful

inquiry, there was nothing revealed in that vast enterprise, carrying billions of dollars in expense, upon which they could base even a whisper of dishonesty.

"SUMMONS to DUTY" By Homer S. Cummings

Record Number N.F. 14

The war had set a great task for statesmanship. The best thought of the world demanded that a serious attempt be made by the leaders of the allied governments to formulate a Treaty of Peace which would prevent the recurrence of war. Every rightful impulse of the human heart was in accord with that purpose. For the first time in the turbulent annals of the human race, such a project had become The destruction of militarism, the feasible. crumbling of thrones, the dissolution of dynasties, the world-wide appreciation of the inner meaning of war and the final triumph of democracy had at last made it possible to realize the dearest dream of man since the dawn of civilization. We had a right to expect a sympathetic support for such a policy from all patriotic Americans, quite irrespective of political affiliation. At this critical juncture in human affairs, Republican leadership completely failed. In the face of the greatest problem in the world, Republican leaders saw fit to remember only that they were Republicans.

Many times in history men have had an opportunity to speak for the freedom of a people or a country; but never before, since time began, have statesmen been afforded the opportunity to speak for the freedom of the world.

Let the true purpose of our party be clearly understood. We stand squarely for the same ideals of peace as those for which the war was fought. We do not propose to submit to the whittling down of the Peace Treaty to the vanishing point. We stand without flinching in support of the only feasible plan for justice and peace. We seek to apply the principles of humanity to the problems of the world. We are neither discouraged nor disheartened by the difficulties with which we have to contend. We do not turn our backs upon the history of the last three years.

We seek no avenue of retreat. We insist that the forward course is the only righteous course. We decline to compromise our principles or pawn our immortal souls for selfish purposes. We rely upon the people of America. They are craving for a renewed demonstration of the ideals that are to pervade the processes of world adjustment and domestic relationship. They seek for an expression of their own spirit of liberalism, of the high progressive aspirations which are astir everywhere throughout the world.

Our cause constitutes a summons to duty. We seek to re-establish the fruits of victory. to reinstate the good faith of our country, and to restore it to its rightful place among the nations of the earth. To lose an election fighting for such a faith is not defeat—it is a triumph that carried with it the immortal garland of victory. But we shall not fail. of America stirs again. The ancient faith re-The immortal part of man speaks for The services of the past, the sacrifices of the war, the hopes of the future, constitute a spiritual force gathering about our banners. We shall release again the checked forces of civilization and America shall take up once more the leadership of the world.

"TRIBUTE to PRESIDENT WILSON"

By Homer S. Cummings
Record Number N. F. 14

Republican leaders have been moved by a strange and inexplicable jealousy of the Pres-

ident. Their feverish animosity, expressed in gross abuse and through secret intrigue, has been productive of one of the most unhappy chapters in American history, recalling the similar experiences of Lincoln and Washington. Political malice followed the President to the Peace Table. Every device which partisanship could develop, was employed for the purpose of weakening the influence of our Commission at Paris and making the task there still more difficult.

The President made every sacrifice, even of health itself, for the cause of peace. The long continued strain in composing differences abroad; the expenditure of nervous vitality and intellectual force in building a new order of human relationship upon the ruins of the old, laid heavy toll upon his reserve powers. Then came the return in triumph, only to find here a widespread propaganda of opposition, making it imperative that he take up in his own country a struggle for the preservation of that which had been won at such incalculable cost.

Following the superhuman labors of seven years of unexampled service, this meant the wreck of his health, sickness for months upon a bed of pain, and worse than the physical sickness, the sickness of heart which comes from the knowledge that political adversaries, lost to the larger sense of things, are savagely destroying not merely the work of men's hands, but the world's hope of settled peace. This was the affliction—this the crucifixion.

As he lav stricken in the White House the great hand of malice knocked and knocked upon the door of the sick chamber. The enemies of the President upon the floor of the Senate repeated every slander that envy could invent, and they could scarcely control the open manifestation of their glee when the Great Man was stricken at last. The Congress was in session for months while the President lay in the White House, struggling with a terrifying illness and many times at the point of death. He had been physically wounded just as surely as were Garfield and McKinley and Lincoln, for, it is but a difference of degree between fanatics and partisans. Congress, during all this period, when the whole heart of America ought to have been flowing out in love and sympathy, did not find time, amid their bickerings, to pass one resolution of generous import or extend one kindly inquiry as to the fate of the President of their own country. In one sense, it is quite immaterial what people say about the President. Nothing we can say can add or detract from the fame that will flow down the unending channels of history. Generations yet unborn will look back to this era and pay their tribute of honor to the man who led a people through troublous ways out of the valleys of selfishness up to the mountain tops of achievement and honor and there showed them the promised land of freedom and safety and fraternity. Whether history records that they entered in or turned their backs upon the vision, it is all one with him—he is immortal.

"LOYALTY"

By Bainbridge Colby

Record Number N. F. 8

It is important that we should constantly keep before us the duty of inculcating in the minds of our citizens from over-seas the true meaning and significance of America, and the high duty that rests upon every generation to sustain our blessed institutions and to transmit them to posterity strengthened and unimpaired.

The test of good citizenship is loyalty to country, and one cannot discharge the duty of

loyalty without a patient and an open-minded study of the institutions that mark the country and define its character.

America stands for individual liberty. But that means an ordered liberty, a liberty subject to law and subordinate to the common welfare.

The social and industrial structure of America is founded upon an enlightened citizenship. This pre-supposes education. Americanism demands loyalty to the teacher and respect for his lessons. I am deeply concerned with the diminution of the teaching strength of the country as a result of the disproportionately low salaries that are paid to teachers throughout the country. We must look to this right promptly. It is a condition that must not be suffered to continue.

Loyalty to America means loyalty to her chosen servants, from President down. We must stifle the voice of hatred and faction. We must realize that there is not a man who holds office except as a result of the free choice of our citizens. It is a high patriotic duty that we should support and sustain the men who have been placed in positions of difficulty, burden, responsibility and even danger, as the result of our suffrages.

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That does not mean that we must forego just and fair criticism, or refrain from opposition to policies which are debatable or which do not command our approval. An intelligent and conscientious opposition is a part of loyalty to country, but we must not, if we are loyal, disperse our energies in a partisan warfare that is waged without regard to its consequences to the well-being, security and honor of the country.

We must be loyal to the form of government. Under it we have grown in numbers, wealth and national influence.

We must be loyal to the words that have come down to us from the past, bequeathed by Americans who have lived great lives in the service of America.

Loyalty to America requires that we should preserve a friendly and encouraging and sympathetic good will toward our day and generation. Like pictures, men should be judged by their merits and not by their defects. Loyalty will not permit envy, hate and uncharitableness to creep into our public thinking.

Thus only in a hopeful and confident temper, in a proud and constructive spirit, will we rescue the present and safeguard the future of our beloved country. The times call loudly to each of us for loyalty—loyalty of purpose, loyalty of thought, loyalty of effort, and the loyalty of patience.

"SAFEGUARD AMERICA!"

By Mrs. Corinne Roosevelt Robinson, Sister of Late President Roosevelt

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I am behind Senator Harding and Governor Coolidge for President and Vice-President of the United States for two reasons—first, because they are the nominees of the Republican Party, and secondly because I believe them to be 100 per cent Americans—of proved patriotism who have not failed to show marked efficiency and ability in public office. I am one who believes that the Republican Party and the Democratic Party have different ideals and I believe that the issues of the two parties are not as blurred and as indistinguishable as is sometimes said to be the case.

The Republican Party is the party of concrete nationalism as opposed to the hazy internationalism of the Democratic Party.

The Republican Party preached preparedness when the Democratic Party, influenced by its President—mind you I say the President

of the Democratic Party and not of the whole United States,—was "keeping us out of war"—keeping us out of war until he was re-elected President!

We need the Republican Party in office during the hard days to come when there must be the upbuilding and rebuilding of our nation—we need preparedness for days of peace, and against the always possible dangers of war. Shall we choose again the party which blindly turned from the right, and in so doing dragged down the prestige of America and brought on our nation unbearable criticism and deplorable confusion?

Fellow Citizens, we are at the turning of the ways. Theodore Roosevelt said in October 1916, "I demand at this election that each citizen shall think of America first." Who, now, does not regret that the country did not respond to this demand? Let us, the Republican Party, again make this demand.

Senator Harding stood for a League of Nations with strong Americanizing Reservations as Theodore Roosevelt did,—he also stood with the Senate in passing the Resolution which would have enabled Theodore Roosevelt to lead a Division into France when the morale of France and of America was at a low ebb.

and Senator Harding in making the memorial address on Theodore Roosevelt before the Ohio Joint Legislative Assembly in January 1919, said "Colonel Roosevelt was the great patriotic sentinel, pacing the parapet of the Republic, alert to danger and every menace, and in love with duty and service, and always unafraid."

Those words of our Presidential nominee in admiration of my great brother are almost a promise of what his own attitude will be. Let us stand behind him, looking forward and onward as Theodore Roosevelt would have done, and let us strive with might and main to put our beloved country in the safe keeping of Warren Harding and Calvin Coolidge.

SAVE AMERICA

By Nicholas Murray Butler

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In the approaching contest the nation faces a crisis. Fundamental principles are involved. Shall the America of our fathers with its Republican form of government, its principles of Civil liberty, and its whole democratic social and industrial order be maintained for a new period of constructive progress, or shall it be

abandoned for some new and untried experiment? This is not the first crisis in the history of the Republic. It is not the first time that the principles for which the Republican Party stands have been called upon to save the country from its enemies.

There are elements in our population which teach doctrines that sound strange to the American ear.

The present crisis is brought about by those who have lost faith in America, who no longer believe in or who do not understand the principles of the Declaration of Independence and of the Constitution of the United States; who would turn their backs upon a Republican form of government in order to set up in its place a system of control by a privileged class. Such men frankly proclaim their preference for the political philosophy of Lenine and Trotzky to that of Washington, Hamilton, Webster and Lincoln.

Once let the American people understand the issue and they will rise in their might to overwhelm the enemies of America.

The issue is the preservation of the American form of government with its incomparable blessing of liberty under the law.

The Republican party must lead the way!

I like to recall the splendid acts, the stupendous achievements of America under the leadership of its constructive forces.

Take the names that have interwoven their teachings and their lives with the name and the fame of our Republic through the medium of the principles of the Republican party; strike them out and what becomes of American history?

You cannot take out of the story of America these names. You cannot take out of the story of America their achievements. You cannot take out of the story of America their record. It is our duty to strive to be worthy of their example, of their counsel, and of our opportunity.

The question to be settled by the people this year is whether the American nation shall remain upon its foundations of ordered liberty and free opportunity, or whether there will arise in its stead a social democracy, autocracy's best friend, to take over the management of each individual's life and business, to order his comings and his goings, to limit his occupations and his savings, and to say that the great experiment of Washington and Hamilton, of Jefferson and Madison, of Marshall and Webster, of Adams and Clay, and of

Lincoln and Roosevelt has come to an end, and gone to join the list of failures in free government with the ancient republics of Greece and Rome and their later followers of Venice and Genoa.

Our nation will not divide. Under the leadership and guidance of the Republican party it will become all American!

The LEAGUE of NATIONS By Henry Cabot Lodge

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I am as anxious as any human being can be to have the United States render every possible service to the civilization and the peace of mankind, but I am certain we can do it best by not putting ourselves in leading strings or subjecting our policies and our sovereignty to other nations. The independence of the United States is not only more precious to ourselves but to the world than any single possession. Look at the United States today. We have made mistakes in the past. We have had shortcomings. We shall make mistakes in the future and fall short of our own best hopes. But none the less is there any country today on the face of the earth which can com-

pare with this in ordered liberty, in peace and in the largest freedom? I feel that I can say this without being accused of undue boastfulness, for it is the simple fact, and in taking on these obligations all that we do is in a spirit of unselfishness and in a desire for the good of mankind. But it is well to remember that we are dealing with nations every one of which has a direct individual interest to serve, and there is grave danger in an unshared idealism. Contrast the United States with any country on the face of the earth today and ask yourself whether the situation of the United States is not the best to be found. I will go as far as anyone in world service, but the first step to world service is the maintenance of the United States. You may call me selfish, if you will, conservative or reactionary, or use any other harsh adjective you see fit to apply; but an American I was born, an American I have remained all my life. I can never be anything else but an American, and I must think of the United States first, and when I think of the United States first in an arrangement like this I am thinking of what is best for the world. for if the United States fails the best hopes of mankind fail with it. I have never had but one allegiance—I cannot divide it now. I have loved but one flag and I can not share that devotion and give affection to the mongrel banner invented for a league. Internationalism, illustrated by the Bolshevik and by the men to whom all countries are alike, provided they can make money out of them, is to me repulsive. National I must remain and in that way I, like all other Americans, can render the amplest service to the world. United States is the world's best hope, but if you fetter her in the interests and quarrels of other nations, if you tangle her in the intrigues of Europe, you will destroy her power for good and endanger her very existence. Leave her to march freely through the centuries to come as in the years that have gone. Strong, generous and confident, she has nobly served mankind. Beware how you trifle with your marvelous inheritance, this great land of ordered liberty,—for if we stumble and fall, freedom and civilization everywhere will go down in ruin.

"LAW and ORDER"

By Calvin Coolidge
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It is pre-eminently the province of government to protect the weak. The average citizen

does not lead the life of independence that was his in former days under a less complex order of society. When a family tilled the soil and produced its own support it was independent. It may be infinitely better off now but it is evident it needs protection which before was not required. Let Massachusetts continue to regard with the gravest solicitude the wellbeing of her people. By prescribed law, by authorized publicity, by informed public opinion let her continue to strive to provide that all conditions under which her citizens live are worthy of the high estate of man. Healthful housing, wholesome food, sanitary working conditions, reasonable hours, a fair wage for a fair day's work, opportunity full and free, justice speedy and impartial and at a cost within the reach of all, are among the objects not only to be sought but made absolutely certain and secure. Government is not, must not be, a cold impersonal machine, but a human and more human agency, appealing to the reason, satisfying the heart, full of mercy, assisting the good, resisting the wrong, delivering the weak from any impositions of the powerful.

This is not paternalism. It is not servitude imposed from without, but the freedom of a righteous self-direction from within.

Industry must be humanized not destroyed. It must be the instrument not of selfishness but of service. Change not the law but the attitude of the mind. Let our citizens look not to false prophets but to the Pilgrims; let them fix their eyes on Plymouth Rock as well as Beacon Hill. The supreme choice must be not the things that are seen but the things that are unseen.

Our government belongs to the people. Our property belongs to the people. It is distributed. They own it. The taxes are paid by the people. They bear the burdens. The benefits of government must accrue to the people; not to one class but to all classes, to all the people. The functions, the power, the sovereignty of the government must be kept where they have been placed by the Constitution and laws of the people. Not private will, but that public will, which speaks with a divine sanction, must prevail.

There are strident voices urging resistance to law in the name of freedom. They are not seeking freedom for themselves—they have it; they are seeking to enslave others. Their works are evil. They know it. They must be resisted. The evil they represent must be overcome by the good others represent. These

ideas which are wrong, for the most part imported, must be supplanted by ideas which are right. This can be done.

The meaning of America is a power which cannot be overcome. Massachusetts must lead in teaching it. Prosecution of the criminal and education of the ignorant are the remedies.

It is fundamental that freedom is not to be secured by disobedience to law. Even the freedom of the slave depended on the supremacv of the Constitution. There is no mystery about this. "They who sin are the servants of sin." They who break the laws are the slaves of their own crime. It is not for the advantage of others that the citizen is abjured to obey the laws, but for his own advantage. What he claims a right to do to others, that must he admit others have a right to do to him. His obedience is his own protection. He is not submitting himself to the dictates of others, but responding to the requirements of his own naturefl Laws are not manufactured, they are not imposed; they are rules of action existing from everlasting to everlasting. He who resists them resists himself; he commits suicide. The nature of man requires sovereignty. Government must govern. To obey is life. To disobey is death. Organized government is the expression of the life of the Commonwealth. Into your hand is entrusted the grave responsibility of its protection and perpetuation.

EQUAL RIGHTS By Calvin Coolidge

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July 4, 1776, was the historic day on which representatives of three millions of people vocalized Concord and Lexington and Bunker Hill, which gave notice to the world that they proposed to establish an independent nation on the theory that "all men are created equal: that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." The wonder and glory of the American people is not the ringing declaration of that day, but the action, then already begun, and in the process of being carried out in spite of every obstacle that war could interpose, making the theory of freedom and equality a reality. We revere that day because it marks the beginnings of independence, the beginnings of a constitution that was finally to give universal freedom and equality to all American citizens, the beginnings of a government that was to recognize beyond all others the power and worth and dignity of man. There began the first of governments to acknowledge that it was founded on the sovereignty of the people. There the world first beheld the revelation of modern democracy.

Democracy is not a tearing down; it is a building up. It is not denial of the divine right of kings; it supplements that claim with the assertion of the divine right of all men. It does not destroy; it fulfills. It is the consummation of all theories of government, to the spirit of which all the nations of the earth must yield. It is the great constructive force of the ages. It is the alpha and omega of man's relation to man, the beginning and the end.

There is and can be no more doubt of the triumph of democracy in human affairs than there is of the triumph of gravitation in the physical world; the only question is how and when. Its foundation lays hold upon eternity.

It is unconcerned with idolatry or despotism or treason or rebellion or betrayal, but bows in reverence before Moses or Hampden or Washington or Lincoln or the Light that shone on Calvary.

The doctrine of the Declaration of Inde-

pendence, predicated upon the glory of man and the corresponding duty of society is that the rights of citizens are to be protected with every power and resource of the State, and a government that does any less is false to the teachings of that great document, false to the name American.

The assertion of human rights is naught but a call to human sacrifice. This is yet the spirit of the American people. Only so long as this flame burns shall we endure and the light of liberty be shed over the nations of the earth. May the increase of the years increase for America only the devotion of this spirit, only the intensity of this flame, and the eternal truth of Lowell's lines:

"What were our lives without thee?
What all our lives to save thee?
We reck not what we gave thee;
We will not dare to doubt thee,
But ask whatever else and we will dare."

